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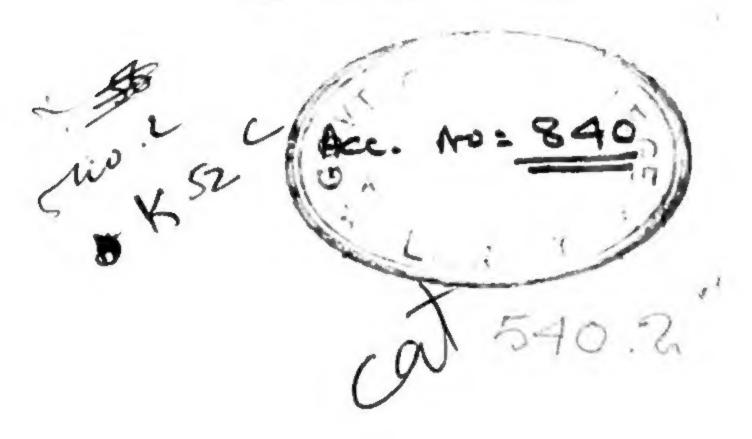
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INTRODUCTION

By Professor H. V. A. Briscoe, D.Sc.

It is a pleasure to commend this little book to those who study chemistry or who are responsible for its teaching.

The acquisition of a reasonable facility in chemical calculations is important not merely for utilitarian reasons—though these are strong enough—but chiefly because it is the readiest and surest way to gain a grip upon the fundamental theory and science of chemistry. Hence it is a special merit of this book that the discussion and illustration of each type of calculation is accompanied by a brief, but clear and sufficient, exposition of the relevant points of principle.

The authors' experience as teachers, especially of undergraduate classes, has enabled them to see and appreciate the difficulties commonly encountered by the student, and also to select or devise methods calculated to avoid or surmount those difficulties. Therefore the book should prove valuable, in my opinion, both to the teacher and to the student who works alone. An ingenious and simple device, new to me, makes the book usable in both ways, since both those who want and those who do not want answers are provided for, respectively, by the odd- and even-numbered examples.

Many of us must feel grateful to the authors for their labours in giving us such a considerable body of new and interesting problems, doubly valuable because they are

set upon a background of sound philosophy, and the book should be specially helpful to the many students of chemistry who work without much guidance or help from teachers. They may, I feel, have every confidence that here they may find a very trustworthy guide and mentor.

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PREFACE

The working of chemical calculations has long been recognised as a means of familiarising the student with the fundamental laws of chemistry. It is often found, however, that the elementary student does not grasp the connection between such calculations and the theoretical principles on which they are based, and which he can only find scattered amongst the descriptive matter in his general text-books. The present book sets out to discuss adequately, if briefly, the elementary laws and theories of chemistry, making application at every stage to calculations. In so far, therefore, as its scope differs somewhat from the majority of text-books of chemical calculations published hitherto, the authors make no apologies for its It in no way seeks to replace the general appearance. text-books, but rather to supplement them by collecting together the theoretical matter they contain, and presenting it in close proximity to the calculations.

Although the sequence in which the matter is presented is as logical as possible, a certain use of normalities has had to be introduced into chapter V in connection with electrochemical measurements, before the subject has been discussed in chapter VI. It will probably be found convenient to introduce the more elementary calculations of volumetric analysis earlier in the course, without discussing the ionic hypothesis as fully as is done in

chapter V.

The attention of both student and teacher is drawn to the numerous references to important pieces of original work which appear in the text. The student cannot too early acquire the habit of reading for himself the classical experimental work which forms the foundation of the theory.

The book roughly covers that part of the subject in the syllabus of the Intermediate Science examination of the University of London and the Higher Schools Certificate, although the earlier parts are suitable for Matriculation candidates. It is thus generally intended for first year students in the Universities and for the higher classes in schools.

The actual methods of calculation illustrated in the text are as simple and short as possible, while seeking to eradicate "substitution in formulæ." The examples on the use of the gram-molecular volume illustrate the stress that has been laid on the use of straightforward calculation. In the chapter on volumetric analysis, calculations are in all cases worked out by the rational use of normalities, and the student should have no difficulty in applying the principles to the working out of volumetric results of any kind.

or adapted from original experimental work for this book. The presence of a complete list of answers in a book of this sort is often an embarrassment to the teacher, but is yet extremely useful to the student preparing for examinations by private study. To meet these two needs as far as possible, answers are throughout given to alternate

problems.

Finally, the position of the logarithm tables on the inside boards at the beginning, and of the antilogarithms at the end, of the book is intended to save the time and preserve the patience of the student. For the same reason, the logarithms of certain numbers frequently recurring in chemical problems are given a certain prominence.

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CHAPTER I

THE LAWS OF COMBINATION. EQUIVALENTS

The quantitative study of chemical combination has led to the formulation of the natural laws, subject to which chemical change occurs; viz., the law of the conservation of mass, the laws of constant and of multiple proportions, and the law of equivalent proportions or combining weights.

THE CONSERVATION OF MASS

The first of these laws, the law of the conservation of mass is, indeed, a tacit assumption which underlies the whole of chemistry as a quantitative science. The law may be stated: in the course of any chemical reaction, matter is neither created nor annihilated; the mass of the substances reacting is equal to the mass of the products formed by the reaction: i.e., if any reaction be considered, such as

$A + B \rightarrow C + D$

then, the weight of (A+B) = the weight of (C+D).

The truth of the law of the conservation of matter had been assumed, tacitly or explicitly, by many investigators and philosophers, from the time of Democritus onwards. The imponderability of heat, however, and the acknowledgment of weight or mass as the fundamental and distinguishing characteristic of matter were not fully recognised until the latter half of the eighteenth century, and it was only then that the law of conservation of mass, really implicit in the axiom of the conservation of matter, was formally stated. It was left to Lavoisier, as part of

his work which overthrew the phlogiston theory, to demonstrate the truth of the law and to gain for it

universal acceptance.

Lavoisier showed that if a chemical change, e.g., the calcination of tin, were carried out in a closed vessel, which was weighed before and after the reaction, no change in weight occurred;

i.e., Weight of tin + Weight of air = Weight of tin oxide + Weight of residual air.

Further, he showed that when other metals—mercury and iron—were converted to their oxides, invariably, within the experimental error,

Weight of metal + weight of oxygen absorbed = weight of oxide formed.

Although the experiments of Lavoisier were not very accurate, they served to demonstrate the essential truth of the conservation of mass.

THE WORK OF STAS

The truth of the law has been thereafter always assumed, any discrepancy between weight of reactants and weight of products being ascribed to experimental error. Thus Stas, in his very accurate researches on combining weights, carried out a number of complete analyses and syntheses, with a view to using the difference between the weight of the reactants and the weight of the products as a direct measure of the accuracy of the work. His data may, however, well be used in the reverse sense, as indicating that the law of conservation of mass is experimentally upheld to a very high degree of accuracy. As examples may be cited Stas' complete synthesis of silver iodide and complete analysis of silver iodate.

For the synthesis of silver iodide, a weighed quantity of iodine was converted into ammonium iodide by dissolving it in ammonium sulphite, all reagents being elaborately purified. A quantity of pure silver, slightly less than that required to react with the iodine, was dissolved in nitric acid and converted into silver sulphate

by evaporation with sulphuric acid. The solutions of silver sulphate and ammonium iodide were mixed, and exact equivalence of iodine and silver obtained by titrating with a standard solution of silver sulphate. The silver iodide formed was filtered off and weighed, allowance being made for the solubility of silver iodide.

In one experiment, the weight of iodine taken

Silver weighed out =38.0620 gm. =38.0620 gm. =0.0175 gm. Weight of Ag + I taken =82.8394 gm.

Weight of AgI formed = 82.8375 gm. Discrepancy = -0.0019 gm.

or 2.3 pts. per 100,000.

i.e., the law of conservation of mass holds experimentally

to at least this degree of accuracy.

The complete analysis of silver iodate was even more remarkable for its accuracy. A weighed quantity of silver iodate was decomposed by heating, and the oxygen liberated absorbed by red hot copper. The increase in weight of the copper plus the weight of the silver iodide remaining was then compared with the weight of silver iodate taken. During the experiment a slow current of nitrogen was passed through the apparatus, but the bulbs in which the silver iodate and the copper were heated were weighed evacuated before and after the experiment. To compensate for changes in the buoyancy of the air, each was weighed against a counterpoise of the same external volume. It was possible to reproduce the absolute weight of the whole apparatus, amounting to 2,000 gm., to within 0.005 gm. before and after the experiment—a most remarkable achievement.

In one determination,

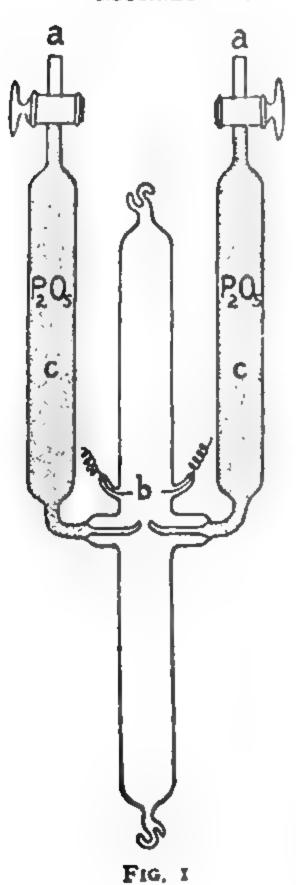
Weight of AgIO, taken

Wt. of AgI + increase in wt. of Cu. = 156.7859 gm.

Wt. of $AgIO_3$ - (wt. of AgI + wt. of 30) = -0.0020 gm. or 1.4 pts. per 100,000.

While it is true that the great concordance of the results of Stas must, as later work has shown, have been enhanced to some small degree by mutually compensating errors, from the viewpoint of the present considerations it remains as showing that the law of conservation of mass is experimentally realised to a very high degree of accuracy.

MORLEY'S COMPLETE SYNTHESIS OF WATER



The investigations of Morley (Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge, 1895) on the combining ratio of oxygen and hydrogen provide further incidental material for the experimental examination of the law of conservation of mass. This work consisted of a complete synthesis of water, and by its remarkable accuracy and the experimental skill involved it stands out as a classical research which well repays the study of the original paper.

Oxygen, prepared by heating potassium chlorate, was stored in large glass globes, the difference in weight of which before and after an experiment gave the weight of oxygen used. Electrolytic hydrogen was absorbed in palladium and freed by heating; the bulb of palladium was similarly weighed before and after each experiment. All weighings were carried out against counterpoises of the same volume as the object weighed. In a determination, performing

oxygen was led into one side tube (a) of the weighed, evacuated reaction tube (Fig. 1), the lower end of which was cooled. Hydrogen was led in through the other tube and ignited by a spark across the electrodes (b) Oxygen and hydrogen were then admitted in the appropriate proportions until sufficient water had formed, when the stream of gas was stopped and the small quantity of residual gas inside the tube pumped out and analysed. Loss of water was prevented by the phosphorus pentoxide tubes (c). The weights of hydrogen and of oxygen used were then determined, and the weight of water formed found from the increase in weight of the reaction vessel.

In one particular experiment,

Weight of hydrogen taken

Weight of oxygen taken

Weight of hydrogen + weight of oxygen

Weight of water found

= 3.8225 gm.

= 30.3497 gm.

= 34.1722 gm.

= 34.1742 gm.

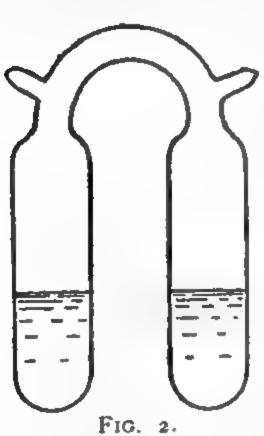
Discrepancy = + 0.0020 gm.

The errors in a whole series of experiments were equally small and equally often positive and negative; i.e., it may be asserted that Morley's experiments indicate that the law of conservation of mass is valid to within a very small experimental error; no evidence is afforded of the real gain or loss of mass of the system during the course of a chemical reaction.

THE WORK OF LANDOLT

The only experiments which have been performed since the days of Lavoisier directly with a view to testing the validity of the law of conservation of mass are those of Landolt (1893-1908) and of Heydweiler (1901). It was the object of these researches to ascertain whether, although the law holds to a high degree of accuracy—as follows from the complete analyses and syntheses of Stas, and of Morley—minute deviations might not nevertheless exist. An exceedingly high degree of accuracy was therefore aimed at. Various reactions in aqueous solu-

weighed before and after the reaction to a few hundredths of a milligram. The solutions were contained in the two limbs of \cap -shaped glass vessels (Fig. 2) and the reaction carried out by tilting the tube so that the solutions mixed. Duplicate tubes of identical volume and of the same surface area were used as counterpoises to compensate for the buoyancy of the air. Simple reactions were chosen in which the heat evolution was fairly small, namely,



(a) The reduction of silver sulphate by ferrous sulphate.

(b) The formation of iodine from iodic acid and hydriodic acid.

(c) The oxidation of sodium sulphite by iodine.

(d) The displacement of copper from copper sulphate by means of iron.

(e) The electrolysis of cadmium iodide.

(f) The decomposition of chloral hydrate by potash.

From 100 to 300 gm. of the reacting substances were taken, the

total weight of each apparatus being about 400 to 800 gm.

In Landolt's first series (Z. Phys. Chem. 1893, 12, 1) it was found that, especially with reactions (a) and (b), the differences in weight observed, though small, were larger than the error of weighing, and almost uniformly negative in sign. This result was confirmed by Heydweiler (1901), and Landolt was inclined to view the results as indicating the real destruction of mass, perhaps similar to the newly discovered radioactive changes. Subsequent work by Landolt, however (Z. Phys. Chem. 1908, 64, 581), showed that this effect was illusory. The heating effects of the reaction give rise to expansion of the apparatus, complete recovery from which is slow, which causes the buoyancy effect of the air to differ from that originally counterpoised. Moreover, the film of

water vapour "adsorbed" on the surface of the glass is disturbed by the heating, and requires a long period for the re-attainment of its original value. Landolt repeated a portion of his work, taking great precautions to eliminate completely these sources of error, and determined the approximate correction to be applied to his earlier results. He was then able to show that during the various reactions investigated, quantities of reacting substances of the order of 200 gms. could have changed in weight by certainly not more than 0.024 mgm., the estimated maximum experimental error, and that the observed variations were equally often positive and negative—i.e. distributed quite at random.

The highest possible value for deviation of the law of conservation of mass from exact truth is thereby placed at about one part in ten million, a limit which Manley claims to have pushed further to one part in a hundred million. While, therefore, modern considerations as to the relation between matter and energy may have affected the philosophical basis of the law, as an experimental fact the law is established to the utmost

degree of refinement.

THE LAW OF CONSTANT PROPORTIONS

The law of constant proportions states that elements combine in fixed proportions by weight to form compounds.

The law, though to-day firmly grounded as axiomatic, has been in the past the subject of interesting controversy. Between 1800 and 1808, C. L. Berthollet maintained that fixity of composition was not a necessary characteristic of chemical compounds. J. L. Proust, on the other hand, held that the law of constant composition was valid, bringing forward as evidence analyses of many substances, natural and artificial in origin, prepared from many sources, which showed that the composition of any given compound was the same, whatever its source of origin or mode of preparation. He was able to show that the examples cited by Berthollet were, in fact, not

applicable, but that the substances involved—basic salts, solutions, glasses, etc.—were not homogeneous com-

pounds, but actually mixtures.

This conclusion of Proust's, strengthened by the steadily increasing analytical accuracy attained by Berzelius and his pupils, firmly established the law of constant proportions. In 1859, however, C. G. de Marignac suggested that, although the law was plainly an almost exact representation of the facts, the composition of compounds might nevertheless vary between very narrow limits. Partly as a consequence of this suggestion, J. S. Stas undertook a very careful examination of the question. One portion of this work, the determination of the composition of silver chloride prepared in different ways, may be quoted. Silver chloride was prepared by four distinct methods.

- A. Silver was burned in chlorine directly to silver chloride.
- B. Silver was dissolved in nitric acid, hydrochloric acid gas led in, and the whole evaporated in the same vessel.
- C. Silver was dissolved in nitric acid, hydrochloric acid added, and the precipitated silver chloride collected and washed with dilute nitric acid. Silver chloride dissolved in the washings was recovered by evaporation.
- D. Silver was dissolved in nitric acid, and silver chloride precipitated by addition of pure ammonium chloride. The results, each the mean of several independent experiments, were as shown:

100 pts. by weight of silver yielded,

by method A 132-8425 pts. silver chloride.

by method B 132.8475 pts. by method C 132.848 pts. by method D 132.842 pts.

i.e., within exceedingly narrow limits of experimental error, the composition of silver chloride was the same whatever the method of preparation employed. A

similar result was obtained from the investigation on the composition of ammonium chloride, and it has ever since been concluded that the precise results of Stas, coupled with the accumulated experience of chemists generally, justify the classification of the law of constant proportions as an exact law.

THE LAW OF MULTIPLE PROPORTIONS

The law of multiple proportions governs the relations between the compounds formed when two elements can combine in more than one ratio. The law states that where two elements can combine in two or more ways, the weights of the one element which severally combine with a constant weight of the other element bear to one another a simple ratio.

Thus, nitrogen and oxygen combine to form five compounds, whose percentage compositions are:—

Nitrogen 63.66 46.67 36.85 30.44 25.93%

Oxygen 36.34 53.33 63.15 69.56 74.07%

Considering the weight of oxygen combined with a constant weight of nitrogen, e.g., 63.66 parts, we have in

the second compound $\frac{63.68 \times 53.33}{46.67} = 72.70$ pts. Calculat-

ing the remaining values similarly, we find that 63.66 parts by weight of nitrogen are combined with

36.35 72.70 109.05 145.40 178.75 parts of oxygen respectively, amounts which are in the ratio

1 : 2 : 3 : 4 : 5

Hence the five oxides of nitrogen are seen to conform to the law of multiple proportions.

It is of historical interest that the law of multiple proportions, the experimental basis of which was established independently by Wollaston and by Berzelius, was first enunciated by John Dalton as a logical consequence of his atomic theory, rather than as, primarily, a generalisation connecting known facts.

THE LAW OF EQUIVALENT OR COMBINING PROPORTIONS

The weights of the various elements which combine with a certain fixed weight of some other element—selected arbitrarily as a standard of reference—(or multiples thereof) combine also with one another,

That is to say, if two elements A and B unite with the element C, then, if A and B combine, they will do so in the proportions of those weights which combine with the same weight of C (or, in some cases, in simple multiples of those proportions).

Thus, as an example,

28 pts. silicon combine with or 32 pts. oxygen

and,

12 pts. carbon combine with 32 pts. oxygen.

The proportions by weight in which the elements combine are therefore closely interrelated, and to every element may be assigned a number representing the number of parts by weight of the element in question—measured relative to some arbitrary standard—which will unite with a fixed weight of the substance of reference. This quantity, characteristic for each element, is termed the combining weight or equivalent. It should be stated that one and the same element may possess more than one equivalent weight, since elements can combine in more than one proportion.

In any chemical change, one equivalent of one element reacts with one equivalent of another element, never one equivalent of the one with more than one of the other. This conception of the equivalence of definite amounts of substances may be extended, as will be seen in Chapter VI to include compound radicals which take part in reactions without splitting up.

CHEMICAL EQUIVALENTS

Hydrogen, as the lightest element, was originally taken as the reference substance, and was assigned the

equivalent 1.000. The equivalent of oxygen on this scale is 7.94. There are, however, few elements which combine directly with hydrogen or displace hydrogen directly from acids or alkalis: it is more convenient to employ as standard oxygen, which permits of the comparison being made far more directly. Oxygen is accordingly taken as standard, with the equivalent 8.000; that of hydrogen becomes 1.008. Further, as a consequence of the experimental methods adopted for the determination of equivalent weights, comparison is often made against chlorine or bromine. It is found that 1.008 parts of hydrogen combine with 35.457 parts by weight of chlorine or with 79.916 parts of bromine. Hence one equivalent of any other element will also combine with these amounts.

We may accordingly define equivalent weights as follows:—

The equivalent weight of an element is that weight of the element which combines with or which replaces 8.000 parts by weight of oxygen, or 1.008 parts of hydrogen, or 35.46 parts chlorine—or, in fact, a quantity of any other substance itself equivalent to these amounts.

The equivalent weight of an element in grams is termed the gram-equivalent; e.g., one gram-equivalent of chlorine weighs 35.46 gm.

THE DETERMINATION OF EQUIVALENTS

The principal methods adopted for the determination of equivalents will now be considered.

(1) Conversion of the element into its oxide, or, alternatively, reduction of the oxide to the element. This method has the advantage of measuring the equivalent directly relative to the standard substance, oxygen.

Example 1. 6.4406 gm. of carbon in the form of diamond yielded on combustion 23.6114 gm. of carbon dioxide.

Calculate the equivalent of carbon.

From the data (23.6114-6.4406) = 17.1708 gm. of oxygen, combined with 6.4406 gm. of carbon

∴ 8.000 gm, of oxygen combined with $\frac{8.00 \times 6.4406}{17.1708}$ gm, of carbon = 3.001 gm.

Equivalent of carbon=3.001.

Example 2. 2.272 gm. of platinum oxide left, on strong ignition, a residue of the metal weighing 1.952 gm.

What is the equivalent of platinum?

0.320 gm. oxygen unite with 1.952 gm. of platinum.

.. 8.000 ,, ,, $\frac{8.00 \times 1.952}{0.320}$ gm. of platinum =48.80 gm.

Equivalent of platinum = 48.80.

(2) Measurement of the hydrogen displaced. In the case of elements which dissolve in acids or alkalis with the evolution of hydrogen, it is convenient to measure the volume of hydrogen liberated when a known weight of element is dissolved. Then, the equivalent of the element (in grams) is that weight of the element which liberates a volume of hydrogen equal to that occupied by 1.008 gm. It is unnecessary to calculate the weight of hydrogen liberated, since this volume of one gram-equivalent is known.

1.008 gm. hydrogen occupy, at 0°C and 760 mm. pressure a volume of 11,205 c.c. The equivalent of an element is therefore the weight displacing 11,205 c.c. hydrogen, measured at 0°C and 760 mm. (Normal Temperature and Pressure, written N.T.P. or S.T.P.) Since the volumes of gases are usually measured in the laboratory under differing conditions of temperature and pressure, correction must be made to the standard conditions.

The Combined Gas Law.

The variation of the volume of gases with pressure, at constant temperature, is given by Boyle's law,

$$p_1 V_1 = p_2 V_2$$

The variation of volume with temperature, at constant pressure, is given by Charles' law,

$$V_t = V_0 \left(1 + \frac{t}{273} \right) = V_0 \left(\frac{273 + t}{273} \right)$$

or, writing $(273+t)=T_1$, the absolute temperature, and rearranging

$$\frac{V_1}{T_1} = \frac{V_0}{T_0}$$

Take a volume of gas V_1 , at temperature T_1 absolute, under a pressure p_1 . It is required to find its volume V_2 at temperature T_2 and pressure p_2 .

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ p_1 & T_1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} V \\ p_2 & T_1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} V_2 \\ p_3 & T_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

First, at the temperature T_1 , alter the pressure to p_2 . The volume becomes V, where

$$p_1V_1=p_2V \qquad . \qquad . \qquad . \qquad (1)$$

Second, keeping the pressure constant at p_2 , alter the temperature to T_2 . The volume now changes from V to V_{25}

By Charles' law,
$$\frac{V}{T_1} = \frac{V_3}{T_2}$$
 (2)

Substituting from (1) the value $V = \frac{p_1}{p_2} V_1$

$$\frac{p_{1}V_{1}}{p_{2}T_{1}} = \frac{V_{2}}{T_{2}}$$
i.e.,
$$\frac{p_{1}V_{1}}{T_{1}} = \frac{p_{2}V_{2}}{T_{2}}$$
or
$$V_{2} = \frac{p_{1}T_{2}}{p_{2}T_{1}}V_{1}$$

Example. What is the volume at 0° and 760 mm. of 237.5 c.c. gas, measured at 22° and 737 mm?

$$T_1 = 273 + 22 = 295^{\circ}$$
 $p_1 = 737 \text{ mm.}$
 $T_2 = 273^{\circ}$ $p_2 = 760 \text{ mm.}$
 $V_2 = \frac{737}{760} \times \frac{273}{295} \times 237.5 \text{ c.c.} = 213.1 \text{ c.c.}$

DALTON'S LAW OF PARTIAL PRESSURES

The volume of hydrogen or other gas evolved in a reaction is frequently measured over water. then contains water vapour, and the total pressure exerted by the gas in the gas burette or eudiometer is due, not solely to the hydrogen, but in part to the water

vapour present.

Dalton found that in such cases, where two or more gases or vapours are present which have no chemical action upon one another, each gas exerts the same pressure as if it alone filled the space, i.e., the total pressure of a mixture of gases is the sum of the partial pressures of the various constituents. In such a case as that under consideration, where a gas is measured over water, the space will be filled with saturated water vapour, and the partial pressure of water vapour is equal to the vapour pressure of water at the temperature of the experiment.

Thus, if the total pressure of the hydrogen, collected and measured over water in an equivalent determination,

be p mm.,

 $p=p_H+p_{aq}$.
where p_{aq} , the vapour pressure of water at the temperature of experiment, may be found by reference to tables.

Example. What is the volume at N.T.P. of 155 c.c. hydrogen collected and measured over water at 10° and 747 mm. pressure?

Pressure of wet gas Vapour pressure of water, 10°C =738 mm. approx. . Partial pressure of hydrogen

volume at N.T.P. = $\frac{738}{760} \times \frac{273}{283} \times 155$ c.c.

These relationships may now be applied to the determination of equivalents by measurement of the hydrogen liberated.

Example. 0.1265 gm. sodium was covered with paraffin and water added. The sodium reacted with the water, 68.4 c.c. hydrogen being liberated, measured at 25° and 771 mm. pressure. Find the equivalent of sodium.

Total pressure of hydrogen+water vapour = 771 mm. Vapour pressure of water at 25* = 24 mm.

... Partial pressure of hydrogen

=747 mm.

0.1265 gm. of sodium displaces 68.4 c.c. of hydrogen, measured at 25° and 747 mm.

$$=\frac{747}{760} \times \frac{273}{298} \times 68.4$$
 c.c. hydrogen at N.T.P.

1 equivalent of sodium liberates, by definition, 11,205 cc hydrogen at N.T.P.

1. 11,205 c.c. hydrogen are liberated by

$$\frac{11,205}{68\cdot 4} \times \frac{760}{747} \times \frac{298}{273} \times 0.1265 \text{ gm. of sodium}$$

= 23.00 gm.

Equivalent of sodium = 23.00

(3) The conversion of the element to its chloride or bromide, or the reduction of the chloride or bromide to the element.

Example. 24-289 gm. of nickel bromide gave on reduction 6-523 gm. nickel. Calculate the equivalent of nickel.

In nickel bromide,

17.767 gm. of bromine are combined with 6.523 gm. of nickel. The equivalent of nickel is the weight combining with 79.92 parts of bromine.

Hence, 79.92 parts of bromine are combined with

$$\frac{79.92\times6.523}{17.767}$$
 pts. of nickel

= 29.35 parts.

Equivalent of nickel = 29.35.

(4) Displacement of the element from one of its compounds by an element of known equivalent.

Example. 0.1275 gm. of cadmium was immersed in silver nitrate solution, and the silver displaced was collected and its weight was found to be 0.2457 gm. Find the equivalent of cadmium, given that the equivalent of silver equals 107.9.

0.2457 gm. of silver is displaced by 0.1275 gm. cadmium.

107.9 gm. ,, are ,, $\frac{107.9 \times 0.1275}{0.2457}$ gm. ,,

= 56.0 gm.

Equivalent of cadmium = 56.0.

INDIRECT METHODS

The methods of equivalent determination dealt with above provide in each case a means of comparing the equivalent of the element in question with that of one element of known equivalent—oxygen, hydrogen, chlorine, etc. In actual practice, the methods adopted for the most accurate determination of equivalent weights are usually less direct, requiring a knowledge of the atomic weights of two or more of the "reference elements." A consideration of these methods of equivalent determination is therefore deferred until the chapter on Atomic weights (Chapter IV, q.v.) where the matter is discussed at length.

PROBLEMS ON THE LAWS OF COMBINATION.

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

THE LAW OF MULTIPLE PROPORTIONS

- 1 The oxides of manganese contain 77.44%, 69.60%, 63.18%, 53.37% and 49.52% of manganese respectively. Show that these figures are in accord with the law of multiple proportions.
- 2 Sulphides of arsenic exist containing 29.99%, 39.05% and 51.70% of sulphur respectively. Show that they conform to the law of multiple proportions.
- 3 Illustrate the law of multiple proportions from the composition of the following silicon compounds. (a) 16.64% Si, 83.36% Cl; (b) 21.02% Si, 78.98% Cl; (c) 23.03% Si, 76.97% Cl.
- 4 Show that the existence of oxides of sulphur containing respectively 57.20%, 50.06%, 40.06% and 86 44% of sulphur does not contravene the law of multiple proportions.
- 5 Cæsium combines with iodine to form compounds which contain 51.13%, 25.86% and 20.73% of the metal respectively. Use these figures to illustrate the law of multiple proportions.

REDUCTION OF GAS VOLUMES

- What would be the volume at 15° and 757 mm., dry, of a volume of hydrogen measuring 227 c.c. over water at 12° and 762 mm. pressure? (Pressure of water vapour at 12° = 10.5 mm.)
- 7 What is the volume at N.T.P. of 4.16 c.c. hydrogen measured over water at 18° and 345 mm. pressure? (Pressure of water vapour at 18° = 15.4 mm.)
- 8 What pressure would be developed on heating to 350° C. a sealed tube originally containing air at 16° and 763 mm. pressure? At what temperature would the pressure attain 3 atmospheres?
- 9 The vapour pressure of alcohol at 15° is 39 mm. What volume would 1 litre of hydrogen (measured at N.T.P.) occupy over alcohol at 15°, when the barometric pressure was 771 mm.?
- 10 147 c.c. of stibine, measured dry at 17° and 761 mm. decomposed on standing over water, and the volume changed to 221 c.c., the wet gas being measured at 15° and 764 mm. pressure. In what ratio has the gas expanded?

PROBLEMS ON CHEMICAL EQUIVALENTS

- 11 Cobalt oxide contains 78.613% of cobalt. Calculate the equiva-
- 12 What is the equivalent of zinc, if zinc oxide contains 80.31% of its weight of zinc.
- 13 Find the equivalent of molybdenum, given that molybdenum oxide contains 66.49% of the metal.
- 14 1.7999 gm. of tungsten oxide yielded on reduction 1.4724 gm. of tungsten. Calculate the chemical equivalent of tungsten.
- What is the equivalent of nickel, if 1.6845 gm of nickel were obtained by reduction of 2.1434 gm. of nickel oxide?
- 16 0.1073 gm. of magnesium was dissolved in dilute sulphuric acid. 106.9 c.c. hydrogen were evolved, measured over water at 16° and 758 mm. pressure. Find the equivalent of magnesium.
 - When 0.3014 gm. of iron wire was treated with hydrochloric acid, 131.9 c.c. hydrogen were liberated. Measurement was carried out on the dry gas, collected over mercury, at 21° and 750 mm. pressure. Calculate the equivalent of iron.
- 18 0-1843 gm. of aluminium foil was dissolved in caustic potash solution. 247-2 c.c. hydrogen, measured at 15° and 754 mm. over water, were evolved. Calculate the equivalent of aluminium.

- 19 If 407.6 c.c. of hydrogen, measured wet at 7° and 764 mm., were evolved when 1.037 gm. of nickel dissolved in hydrochloric acid, what is the equivalent of nickel?
- By the solution of 0.1475 gm. of pure zinc in dilute sulphuric acid, 54.4 c.c. hydrogen were obtained, measured at 12. The water level inside the eudiometer was 13 cm. above the free surface of the water in the levelling tube. The barometric pressure was 757 mm. Find from these data the equivalent of zinc.
- 21 10.057 gm. of mercuric chloride were decomposed by electrolysis, 7.431 gm. of mercury being obtained. What is the equivalent of mercury?
- 22 0.47319 gm. of cadmium was obtained when 0.77264 gm. of cadmium chloride was decomposed electrolytically. Find the equivalent of cadmium.
- 23 11.087 gm. of tin bromide were obtained by the action of bromine on 3.006 gm. of tin. Calculate the equivalent of tin.
- The weight of tellurium bromide made from 0.3738 gm. of tellurium was 1.3108 gm. Determine the equivalent of tellurium.
- What is the chemical equivalent of tungsten, if 10.433 gm. of tungsten chloride yielded on reduction 4.837 gm. of tungsten?
- 26 9.0684 gm. of silver were dissolved in nitric acid, and an excess of pure ammonium chloride added. The precipitate of silver chloride obtained weighed 12.044 gm. Find the equivalent of silver.
- 27 Stas found that 97-145 gm. of silver bromide were obtained from 55-804 gm. of silver. What value do these figures give for the equivalent of silver?
- 28 3.047 gm. of gold bromide were reduced in a current of hydrogen. The gold remaining weighed 1.375 gm. Find the equivalent of gold.
- 29 2.075 gm. of tungsten were burned in chlorine, 4.475 gm. of tungsten chloride being formed. Calculate the equivalent of tungsten.
- Calculate the equivalent of osmium, if 3.140 gm. of the metal were left after reduction of 5.473 gm. of osmium chloride.
- 31 0.5829 gm. of cobalt, immersed in a solution of gold bromide, displaced 1.2913 gm. of gold from solution. If the chemical equivalent of gold is 65.74, calculate that of cobalt.
- 32 0.6006 gm. of silver was displaced from a solution of silver nitrate by the action of 0.5765 gm. of lead. The equivalent of silver is 107.9. Calculate the equivalent of lead.
- 33 1.375 gm. of zinc displaced 4.540 gm. of silver from solution. Find the equivalent of zinc, given that the equivalent of silver = 107.9.

- When 4.4406 gm. of silver were heated in selenium vapour, 6.0657 gm. silver selenide were formed. Find the equivalent of selenium. (Equivalent of silver = 107.88.)
- By the combination of 4.723 gm. of silver with iodine, 10.271 gm. of silver iodide were obtained. This, on heating in a stream of chlorine, left a residue of silver chloride weighing 6.270 gm. The equivalent of chlorine is 35.46. Calculate the equivalent of iodine.

CHAPTER II

THE ATOMIC THEORY

THE ATOMIC STRUCTURE OF MATTER

In view of the simplicity of the laws of combination which have been considered in the previous chapter, it would seem that there must be some underlying explana-

tion in the ultimate structure of matter.

There are two obvious hypotheses which have been applied to the structure of matter—(a) that matter is continuous and completely fills the space which it occupies, and (b) that it is discontinuous, consisting of small particles separated or partially separated by space. Both these hypotheses were familiar in more or less definite form to the Greek philosophers, but it was not until the beginning of the present scientific age that they were given any quantitative significance, when Newton gave a mathematical proof of Boyle's law on the assumption that gases were composed of discontinuous particles of matter which repelled one another. The formulation of the atomic theory in a way which could co-ordinate all known facts and give an explanation of the quantitative laws of chemistry, and which led to the extension of the scope and accuracy of the scientific method is undoubtedly due to John Dalton, a Manchester schoolmaster (1803).

Dalton put forward the following postulates :---

(1) Elements are composed of minute indivisible particles of matter, or atoms, which are unchanged during any chemical change.

(2) All atoms of the same element are the same in all respects, notably in weight, but are different from the

atoms of all other elements.

(3) Chemical combination takes place by the union of atoms in simple numerical ratios; e.g., one atom of an element A will combine with one atom (or two or three

atoms) of an element B to form a compound.

The absolute weights of the atoms are exceedingly small and could not be estimated by Dalton. (The absolute mass of the hydrogen atom is now known to be about 1.66×10^{-24} gm.) He therefore confined his attention to their relative weights, taking the weight of the lightest atom, hydrogen, as unity. The atomic weight was thus the ratio of the weight of an atom of the element under consideration to the weight of an atom of hydrogen. As has been pointed out in the previous chapter in connection with equivalent weights, oxygen is now taken as the standard. On this scale the atomic weight of oxygen is 16.000 and that of hydrogen becomes 1.008.

THE LAWS OF COMBINATION AND THE ATOMIC THEORY

The laws discussed in the last chapter are experimentally true and do not depend on any theory, but it will be seen that they follow as a direct consequence of the atomic theory which thus gives a rational explanation of these experimental results.

(I) Since atoms are indestructible, and preserve their identity and hence their masses, during any chemical change, the total mass of the atoms will be the same before and after the reaction. (Law of conservation of

(2) As a compound is composed of two, three or more atoms which are always of the same kinds and in the same numbers in any given compound, then each compound will always contain the same elements in the same proportions. (Law of constant proportions.)

(3) If two elements unite to form more than one compound, then the numbers of atoms of the one element combined with one atom of the other element in one compound will bear a simple ratio to the number com-

bined with one atom in the other compound, and hence the weight of this element combined with a fixed weight of the other element in the first compound will bear a simple ratio to the weight combined with the same fixed weight in the other compound. (Law of multiple pro-

portions.)

(4) As atoms of a single element always have the same weight, and as elements always combine in simple proportions by atoms, then the weights of atoms combining will be in the ratios of their atomic weights or simple fractions of this. Hence follows the law of equivalent proportions. The atomic weight, as will be seen later (see p. 73), is always a simple multiple of the equivalent weight of the same element.

DIFFICULTIES OF THE ATOMIC THEORY

Dalton's original theory provided no means of determining the relative atomic weights of the elements, because it was impossible to estimate the numbers of atoms of each element that went to compose the complex atom or molecule which they formed. Thus in the compound water, which is formed by the union of oxygen and hydrogen, it is known that the relative weights are 8: 1. If, then, the molecule of water is composed of only one atom of oxygen and one atom of hydrogen, that means that the atom of oxygen is eight times as heavy as the atom of hydrogen (or the atomic weight of oxygen is 8). If, however, the molecule of water is composed of two atoms of hydrogen and one of oxygen, the oxygen atom will be eight times as heavy as two atoms of hydrogen or sixteen times as heavy as one atom of hydrogen (the atomic weight of oxygen is 16). Again, if there are three atoms of hydrogen and one of oxygen in the water molecule, the atom of oxygen will be eight times as heavy as three, or twenty-four times as heavy as one atom of hydrogen (atomic weight of oxygen is 24).

Thus, it is seen that the atomic weight is a simple multiple of the equivalent weight of an element, but the classical atomic theory gives no indication of what

multiple. Dalton was compelled to fall back upon empirical rules to overcome this difficulty. He assumed that if only one compound of two elements is known, it will be as simple as possible. Thus water and ammonia were erroneously assumed to be binary compounds—i.e., to be composed of one atom of each of the two elements from which they are formed. In spite of brilliant chemical work by Berzelius, who extended the chemical evidence for the structure of compounds, no satisfactory method of determining atomic weights was forthcoming for half a century, so many chemists who were not satisfied with the arbitrary weights based on Dalton's rules fell back on the use of equivalent weights as being more certain.

A still more serious difficulty in the way of Dalton's theory was due to an erroneous assumption that the particles of elements were simple atoms. The true theory, that explained the contradiction which arose from this and led the way to a true knowledge of atomic weights and the composition of compounds, was given by Avogadro about this time, but did not secure recognition. His theory will be discussed in the next chapter.

THE MODERN THEORY OF THE STRUCTURE OF MATTER

Developments in chemistry and physics during the present century have led to a much more extensive know-ledge of the composition and behaviour of matter, as well as of the conditions governing its various kinds of existence, than was ever foreshadowed by the classical atomic theory of Dalton.

Researches on the discharge of electricity through gases at low pressures and on the behaviour of radioactive substances such as the compounds of radium and uranium led to a certain conclusion that the atom was not the solid indivisible particle that it had been assumed to be, but that just as any material object is discontinuous in composition, being composed of atoms and space, so the atom itself is discontinuous in character, by far the greater part being empty space.

While the atom as a whole is electrically neutral, it is to be regarded as an aggregate of electric charges. The atom of any element consists of a very small positively charged nucleus in which the mass of the atom is concentrated, surrounded by one or more negatively charged electrons which are assumed to revolve in orbits at various levels around the nucleus. The atomic nucleus is also complex in structure and contains one or more protons which are unit positive charges of electricity and, except in the case of hydrogen, one or more electrons. The proton is of unit mass; thus the hydrogen atom contains one proton and has the atomic weight one, helium has four protons and atomic weight four.

The mass of the electron is negligible compared with that of the proton, but it is nevertheless the extra-nuclear electrons that determine the chemical properties of the atom and give the individual characteristics of each element. It will be seen that all matter is built up of the same fundamental constituents and that the differences in behaviour of the different elements are due to the different numbers and the different arrangements of electrons and protons. As the electron is a unit negative charge of electricity and the proton is a unit positive charge, and the atom is electrically neutral, it follows that each element contains in its atom equal numbers of protons and electrons.

The modern theory of the structure of matter has found striking verification in all branches of chemistry and physics and throws light on many fundamental problems such as the origin of spectra, the method of linkage of the atoms, and the significance of the external symmetry of crystals; nevertheless the classical theory of the atom is in no way invalidated. The laws of combination are experimentally true, and Dalton, in formulating his atomic hypothesis in order to explain them, created a mental picture which is extended rather than destroyed by the modern theories. Calculations based on Dalton's theory are in no way altered by recent developments.

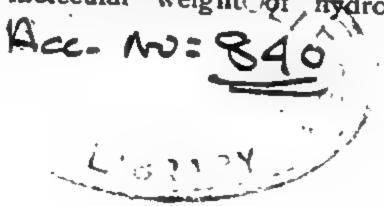
FORMULÆ

The adoption of the atomic theory led to the introduction of a rational chemical nomenclature. Each element was given a symbol, usually the first letter, or the first and another letter of its Latin name. Thus iron (ferrum) is Fe, chlorine is Cl and tin (stannum) is Sn. A full list of the symbols of the elements will be found in the atomic weight table at the end of the book.

It should be remembered that, for example, S does not merely mean sulphur, but a certain weight of sulphur—an atomic weight of sulphur. Again Cl denotes one atom of chlorine or 35.46 parts by weight of chlorine; 35.46 being the weight of the chlorine atom relative to the weight of the oxygen atom 16, or the hydrogen atom 1.008. This weight may be expressed in grams, in pounds, in tons, or in any other measure, as it is a relative weight.

The molecule of the simplest compounds containing one atom each of two different elements is represented by writing the symbols of the constituent elements side by side. Thus, hydrogen chloride which is composed of one atom of hydrogen and one of chlorine, is written HCl. This is known as the formula of the substance. molecule of sulphur dioxide consists of two atoms of oxygen and one of sulphur and has the formula SO2, the small numeral indicating that there are two atoms of oxygen present in the molecule. In just the same way the formula of ammonia is written NH3, as there are three atoms of hydrogen and one of nitrogen in this molecule. More complex molecules have naturally more complex formulæ. Thus, sulphuric acid is H2SO4, the molecule consisting of two atoms of hydrogen, one of sulphur and four of oxygen. Aluminium sulphate is written Al₂(SO₄)₃, the small figure after the bracket multiplying all within; thus, there are three atoms of sulphur, and twelve of oxygen in this molecule.

Just as with the symbols of elements, the formulæ of compounds have a quantitative significance. Thus, HCl represents one molecular weight of hydrogen chloride



(36.47) composed of one atomic weight (1.01) of hydrogen and one atomic weight (35.46) of chlorine. If the gram is the unit employed, and this is usual, 36.47 is the molecular weight of the compound expressed in grams,

or simply the gram molecular weight.

From what has just been said it will be seen that it is possible to calculate from the formula of a compound and the atomic weights of its constituent elements, its percentage composition. Thus water, with the formula H_2O , has a molecular weight of 18.016 (2 × atomic weight of hydrogen (i.e., 2×1.008) + 1 atomic weight of oxygen (16)).

This means that 18.016 parts by weight of water will

contain 2.016 parts by weight of hydrogen,

100 parts of water will contain $\frac{2.016}{18.016} \times 100 = 11.19\%$ of hydrogen.

Similarly the percentage of oxygen

$$= \frac{16}{18.016} \times 100 = 88.81\%.$$

Analysis will show water to contain 11.19% of hydrogen

and 88.81% of oxygen.

A similar method of procedure is used in calculating the percentage composition of more complicated compounds.

Example. Sodium stannate has the formula Na,SnO,.3H,O. It is required to find its percentage composition.

As the water of crystallisation which is present comes off easily as water and is therefore to be regarded as being combined in the solid as water rather than as hydrogen and oxygen separately, it is usual to express it in terms of the percentage of H₂O rather than as % H and % O.

The molecular weight of sodium stannate will be

$$(2 \times 23) + 118 \cdot 7 + (3 \times 16) + (3 \times 18)$$

= $46 + 118 \cdot 7 + 48 + 54$
= $266 \cdot 7$

There are two atoms of sodium in the molecule of sodium stannate. The proportion by weight of sodium in the molecule

will therefore be twice the atomic weight of sodium divided by the molecular weight of sedium stannate; the percentage of sodium will be this fraction multiplied by 100.

% Na =
$$\frac{46}{266 \cdot 7} \times 100$$
 = 17·25
in the same way:—
% Sn = $\frac{118 \cdot 7}{266 \cdot 7} \times 100$ = 44·50
% O = $\frac{48}{266 \cdot 7} \times 100$ = 18·00
% H₂O = $\frac{54}{266 \cdot 7} \times 100$ = 20·25

PROBLEMS

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

Calculate from the formulæ of the following compounds their percentage composition:—

		ocurage compo	S1110H ;—
36	POCI ₃	46	MgCl ₂ .6H ₂ O
37	K ₂ SnCl ₈		K ₃ C _I (CNS) ₆
38	Na ₂ SiF ₈	48	K2SO4.CoSO4.6H2O
39	BaS ₂ O ₄	49	(NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄ .Cr ₂ (SO ₄) ₃ .24H ₂ O
	3	50	Pt(NH ₃) ₂ Cl ₂
	C ₁₀ H ₇ OH	51	Co(NH ₃) ₆ Cl ₃
42	K_2PtBr_6	52	[Pt(NH ₃) ₄](PtCl ₄)
	NaNH ₂	53	K ₃ Mn(NO)(CN) ₅
	Mg2As2O7	54	[Cr(NH ₃) ₄ C ₂ O ₄]NO ₃ .H ₂ O
45	$(NH_4)_3AlF_6$	55	PtCl ₂ .2CO
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CALCULATIONS OF EMPIRICAL FORMULÆ FROM PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

By means of a process the converse of that used in the last section, it is possible to calculate the simplest formula of a substance from its percentage composition as obtained by analysis.

We shall firstly take the case of water whose percentage composition we have already calculated from its well established formula, and shall re-calculate its formula from our results by means of the converse process. As we have seen, water contains 11·19% H and 81·81% O. This ratio will represent the ratio of the combining weights of oxygen and hydrogen, so in order to find the atomic proportion, each percentage must be divided by the atomic weight of the element concerned. Thus:—

Element	% Composition	Atomic Proportion	
H	11-19	$\frac{11\cdot 19}{1\cdot 008}$	= 11.10
0	88-81	$\frac{88 \cdot 81}{16}$	= 5.55

The ratio of the atoms combining is therefore 11.10 of hydrogen to 5.55 of oxygen, or two of hydrogen to one of oxygen.

... the simplest formula of water is H2O.

Example. Calculate the empirical formula of a substance which gives the following percentage composition:— Na = 12.04%, B = 11.52%, O = 29.32% and H₂O = 47.12%.

As in the previous example the percentage of each element must be divided by its atomic weight in order to determine the proportion by atoms in which the elements are combined in the compound. This ratio, reduced to the simplest whole numbers, will give the simplest (or *empirical*) formula of the compound.

Element	% Composition	Atomic Proportion	
Na	12.04	12.04	= 0.52
n	11.52	$\frac{11.62}{11}$	= 1.05
0	29-32	29.32	= 1.88
H ₂ O	47-12	47.12	= 2.68

The atoms and group of atom thus combine in the ratio Na: B: O: $H_2O = 0.52:1.05:1.88:2.68$.

Dividing each of these by the lowest number, namely, 0.52, we get Na: B: O: $H_2O = 1:2:3.5:5$ or = 2:4:7:10.

The simplest formula of the compound is thus Na₂B₄O₇.10H₂O.

It should be noticed that the formulæ calculated from percentage composition are the empirical or simplest formulæ and not the molecular formulæ. Thus, xylene, which has a percentage composition C = 90.54%, H = 9.46% will be given an empirical formula C_4H_5 , whereas its true or molecular formula is double this, C_4H_{10} . The molecular formula is thus a simple multiple of the empirical formula. It may be found from the empirical formula if the molecular weight of the compound is known.

In the case of minerals of definite chemical composition it is usual to express the percentage composition in terms of the oxides of the metals and acids which they contain. Thus, dolomite, a double carbonate of calcium and magnesium would be written CaO = 29.59%, MgO = 22.19%, CO₂ = 48.22%. The calculation involved in the determination of its empirical formula is exactly the same as that for simple compounds, except that to find the atomic proportion, the percentage compositions are divided, not by the atomic weights of the elements, but by the molecular weights of the groups of elements. Thus:—

	% Composition	Molecular	Proportion	
CaO	29.59	29·59 56	=	0.53
MgO	22.19	$\frac{22\cdot 19}{40}$	_	0.55
CO3	48-22	48.22	_	1.1

The simplest proportions are CaO: MgO: CO₂ = 1:1:2.

Or the formula is CaCO₃.MgCO₃.

There exist also many groups of minerals whose individual members are composed of equal numbers of atoms similarly combined and which possess the same crystalline form but with varying amounts of the constituent atoms. Thus, there are minerals of the general formula MCO₃, where M may be a mixture of variable proportions of calcium, magnesium, etc. Such minerals

are termed isomorphous mixtures and are written, e.g., as (Ca, Mg,) CO₃. It is found that if their compositions are converted into the equivalent percentages of one of the elements, the general formula MCO₃ will apply.

Example.

A mineral has the composition: CaO 28.4%, MgO 12.3%, FeO 12.3%, MnO 1.9%, CO, 44.4%. Express its composition by a formula.

First, the amounts of CaO equivalent to the other oxides

present must be determined.

12.3 pts. of MgO
$$\equiv \frac{12.3 \times 56}{40.3} = 17.22$$
 pts. of CaO

12.3 pts. of FeO
$$\equiv \frac{12.3 \times 56}{72} = 9.57$$
 pts. of CaO

1.9 pts. of MnO
$$\equiv \frac{1.9 \times 56}{70} = 1.52$$
 pts. of CaO

Thus there are $28\cdot4 + 17\cdot22 + 9\cdot57 + 1\cdot52 = 56\cdot7$ parts of typical oxide (in this case CaO) combined with 44·4 parts of CO₂. Hence, by the ordinary method:—

Atomic Proportion

M#O
$$\frac{56.7}{56} = 1.01$$
CO,
$$\frac{44.4}{44} = 1.01$$

The typical composition is therefore M"O.CO₂ or M"CO₃, where M" represents Ca,Mg,Fe and Mn. The formula can also be written (Ca,Mg,Fe,Mn)CO₃.

PROBLEMS

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

Calculate the empirical formulæ of the following compounds from their percentage composition:—

- 56 Na 32.09%, Zn 45.58%, O 22.32%.
- 67 S 21.95%, F 78.05%.
 - 58 P 10.80%, O 5.58%, Br 83.62%.
- 59 Sr 43.01%, Cr 25.57%, O 31.42%.
- 60 Ag 47.58%, Mn 24.21%, O 28.21%.
- 61 Fe 30.43%, Cu 34.63%, S 34.94%.

- 62 K 7.03%, Au 35.47%, Br 57.50%.
- 63 H 1.38%, Se 54.54%, O 44.08%.
- 64 H 4·19%, N 29·15%, S 33·36%, O 33·30%.
- 165 K-28-22%, CI 25-59%, O 46-18%.
 - 66 K 41-95%, C 6.44%, S 51-61%.
- · 67 Ca 29.45%, H 0.74%, P 22.78%, O 47.03%.
 - 68 Fe 28.50%. CO 71.50%.
 - 69 Na 12.84%, H 0.28%, P 8.66%, O 17.87%, H2O 60.34%.
 - 70 Ba 41.23%, Br 47.96%, H2O 10.81%.
 - 71 Cr 20.00%, Cl 40.83%, NH, 39.17%.
 - 72 Cr 19.54%, Cl 39.90%, H₂O 40.56%.
 - 73 Co 27.25%, Cl 49.15%, NH, 23.60%.
 - 74 C 21-13%, H 2-11%, N 4-93%, Pt 34-37%, Cl 37-46%.
- 75 Hg 62.9%, C 15.1%, H 1.9%, O 20.1%.
- 76 C 55.27%, H 5.27%, N 18.43%, O 21.03%.
- 77 Ba 30.42%, C 31.89%, H 2.21%, O 21.28%, S 14.20%.
- 78 Pb 77.55%, C 17.96%, H 4.49%.
- 19 Na 19.84%, C 62.05%, H 4.31%, O 13.79%.
- Serpentine has the composition:—MgO 43.59%, SiO₂ 43.44%, H₂O 12.97%. By what formula is its composition expressed?
 - 81 What is the formula for kaolin, the composition of which is 39.5% MgO, 46.6% SiO₂, 13.9% H₂O.
 - 82. The composition of a felspar is 16.88% K₂O, 18.31% Al₂O₃, 64.82% SiO₂. By what formula can its composition be expressed?
 - Carnotite approximates to the composition 9.5% K₂O, 57.6% UO₃, 18.3% V₂O₅, 14.6% H₂O. What is its formula?
 - Analysis of a spinel mineral gave the following figures:—
 MgO 22.4%, CaO 1.7%, MnO 2.2% Al₂O₃ 44.1%, Fe₂O₃
 mate?

 To what type of formula does the mineral approxi-
 - A silicate mineral has the composition Na₂O 2.9%, K₂O 17.4%, Al₂O₃ 22.4%, Fe₂O₃ 1.8%, SiO₂ 55.5%. Derive a formula to express its composition.

CHEMICAL EQUATIONS

Chemical reactions may be represented by equations that indicate the re-arrangements of the atoms during the reactions. The symbols or formulæ of the reacting sub-

stances are placed on the left hand side of the equation and are connected by means of an "equals" sign (=) with the symbols or formulæ of the resulting product on the right hand side. Thus, the reaction between iron and sulphuric acid to form ferrous sulphate and hydrogen may be written:—

$$Fe + H_2SO_4 = FeSO_4 + H_2$$

Although an "equals" sign is used, it does not necessarily mean that the reaction can be reversed as, for example, in this case to form iron and sulphuric acid from ferrous sulphate and hydrogen. Many reactions are, however, reversible, this being indicated by arrows connecting the two sides of the equation. Thus:—

$$CaO + CO_2 \iff CaCO_3$$

denotes that both calcium oxide reacts with carbon dioxide to produce calcium carbonate, and that calcium carbonate may be split up into calcium oxide and carbon dioxide.

As equations are formed from symbols and formulæ, they denote definite quantities of materials reacting, thus:—

$$AgNO_3 + NaCl = NaNO_3 + AgCl$$

denotes that one molecule of silver nitrate reacts with one molecule of sodium chloride to give one molecule of sodium nitrate plus one of silver chloride; or, applying atomic weights:—

AgNO, + NaCl = NaNO, + AgCl

$$107.9 + 14 + (3 \times 16) + 23 + 35.5 = 23 + 14 + (3 \times 16) + 107.9 + 35.5$$

 $169.9 + 58.5 = 85 + 143.4$

This means that 169-9 parts by weight of silver nitrate would react with 58.5 parts of sodium chloride to form 85 parts of sodium nitrate and 143.4 parts of silver chloride. As in the case of the simple symbols or formulæ these quantities may be expressed as grams, pounds or any other units as long as all of them are in the same system. Applying this in the case above once more; 169.9 grams (or tons) of silver nitrate react with 58.5 grams (or tons) of sodium chloride to form

85 grams (or tons) of sodium nitrate plus 143.4 grams

(or tons) of silver chloride.

It will be seen that chemical equations enable calculations to be made on the quantities of materials used or produced in the course of chemical reactions.

Example 1. What weight of lime (CaO) could be obtained by heating 50 kilograms of calcium carbonate?

$$CaCO_3 = CaO + CO_2$$

 $40+12+48$ $40+16$
100 parts 56 parts

From the equation it follows that:-

Example 2. What weight of oxygen could be obtained from 100 gm. of potassium chlorate of 83% purity?

100 gm. of impure potassium chlorate contain 83 gm. of pure potassium chlorate.

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
2KClO_3 & = & 2KCl & + & 3O_2 \\
2(39+35\cdot5+48) & & & 8(2\times16) \\
245 & & & 96
\end{array}$$

This means that 245 parts by weight of potassium chlorate yield 96 parts of oxygen.

... 83 gm. of potassium chlorate yield
$$\frac{96 \times 63}{245}$$
 gm. O₂

$$= 32.53 \text{ gm}.$$

GRAVIMETRIC ANALYSIS

A quantitative use of chemical formulæ and equations enables the analysis of materials to be carried out by gravimetric means. The substance to be analysed is converted into another compound of known composition which is accurately weighed. From this weight the amount of the required constituent can be found. For example, the weight of sulphate (SO₄) in sulphuric acid might be determined by adding an excess of barium chloride solution.

$$H_3SO_4 + BaCl_2 = BaSO_4 + 2HCl.$$

Barium sulphate which is insoluble and is therefore precipitated thus removes the sulphate quantitatively, and a knowledge of the atomic weights of the elements concerned will enable the amount of SO₄ in BaSO₄ to be calculated.

Example. 2.340 gm. of pure sulphuric acid were diluted with water and the sulphate precipitated with barium chloride solution. The precipitate weighed 5.573 gm. Calculate the percentage of SO, in the sulphuric acid.

$$H_2SO_4 + BaCl_2 = BaSO_4 + 2HCl_1 = 233.4$$

Weight of barium sulphate formed

= 5.573 gm.

The weight of sulphate contained in this will be 5.573 multiplied by the weight of SO₄ and divided by the molecular weight of BaSO₄.

Proportion of SO₄ in the acid $\frac{5.573 \times 96}{233.4 \times 2.340}$

...Proportion of SO₄ in the sulphuric acid =
$$\frac{5.573 \times 96}{233.4 \times 2.340} \times 100$$

= 97.97%

By similar means copper can be precipitated as its hydroxide and ignited to the oxide CuO and weighed: iron can be precipitated as ferric hydroxide, ignited and weighed as Fe₂O₃: calcium can be precipitated as the insoluble oxalate, ignited to the oxide and weighed: the chlorine in chlorides can be precipitated as insoluble silver chloride, and other methods of a similar character are available for the estimation of most other metals and acid radicals. The procedure is usually more or less complicated owing to the difficulty of obtaining pure precipitates as well as of ensuring complete precipitation. The calculations, however, are uniformly simple and all resemble that in the example above. A further example of one of the estimations with a more complicated procedure will now be worked out.

Example. A sample of basic slag was analysed for phosphorus as follows. 0.556 gm. of the slag was heated with sulphuric acid to convert all the phosphate into phosphoric acid. The phosphate was then purified by precipitating with ammonium molybdate and dissolving the precipitate in ammonia. Magnesia mixture was then added to the solution and the crystalline precipitate of magnesium ammonium phosphate filtered, ignited to magnesium pyrophosphate (Mg₂P₃O₇) and weighed. The weight was 0.124 gm. Calculate the percentage of phosphorus in the slag.

The phosphorus is all precipitated as $Mg_2P_2O_7$; it is only necessary therefore to calculate the weight of phosphorus contained in 0.124 gm. of this phosphate.

The molecular weight of $Mg_2P_2O_7$ is $(2\times24\cdot3)+(2\times31)+(7\times16)$

= 222.6

... 0.124 gm, of $Mg_2P_2O_7$ contain $\frac{0.124 \times 2 \times 31}{222.6}$ gm. of phosphorus. = 0.0345 gm.

... phosphorus in the slag = $\frac{0.0345}{0.556} \times 100\%$ = 6.21%

PROBLEMS ON GRAVIMETRIC RELATIONSHIPS

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- 86 0.1751 gm, of crude sodium sulphate was dissolved in water and treated with barium chloride in excess. The precipitate of barium sulphate obtained weighed 0.2700 gm. What is the percentage purity of the crude sodium sulphate?
- 87 Bone consists of 58% of calcium phosphate, Ca₃(PO₄)₂.

 Assuming that a 90% yield of elementary phosphorus is obtainable by a manufacturing process, what weight of phosphorus could be manufactured from 150 Kg. of bone?
- 88 0.3145 gm. of hydrated barium bromide, on treatment with silver nitrate, yielded 0.3585 gm. of silver bromide. Find the percentage of water of crystallisation in the barium bromide.
- What is the percentage of chlorine in cadmium chloride, if 0.4364 gm. of silver chloride was obtained from 0.2791 gm. of cadmium chloride on treatment with silver nitrate?
- 90 0.7042 gm. of potassium manganese alum was dissolved in water, acidified with dilute hydrochloric acid, and barium chloride added in excess. 0.6559 gm. of barium sulphate was precipitated. Calculate the percentage of -SO₄ in the alum.

- 91 0.7000 gm. of naturally occurring calcite was dissolved in dilute hydrochloric acid. Ammonium oxalate and ammonia were added, and the precipitated calcium oxalate collected and ignited. 0.3915 gm. of calcium oxide was so obtained. Calculate the percentage of CaCO₃ in the calcite.
- 92 3.075 gm. of an alloy containing phosphorus were dissolved in nitric acid. The phosphorus was determined by precipitating as magnesium ammonium phosphate, ignition of which gave 0.1324 gm. of magnesium pyrophosphate. Find the percentage of phosphorus in the alloy.
- 93 A sample of sterling silver weighing 0.3750 gm. was dissolved in nitric acid and the silver precipitated by addition of ammonium chloride. 0.4739 gm. of silver chloride was precipitated. What proportion of silver does sterling silver contain?
- 94 By the combustion of 0.2040 gm. of succinic acid (containing carbon, hydrogen and oxygen only) 0.3042 gm. of carbon dioxide and 0.0933 gm. of water were formed. Find the percentage composition of succinic acid.
- 95 0.6460 gm. of a mixture of potassium bromide and potassium sulphate was dissolved in water, acidified with nitric acid and silver nitrate added. The precipitate weighed 0.4077 gm. What is the percentage of potassium sulphate in the mixture?
- 0.3500 gm. of a compound of sulphur, oxygen and chlorine only was allowed to react with caustic soda. The solution was acidified with nitric acid, and barium nitrate added. After filtration from barium sulphate, the solution was treated with silver nitrate. 0.6054 gm. BaSO₄ and 0.7448 gm. of AgCl were obtained. Find the percentage composition and formula of the compound.
- 97 0.6505 gm. of stainless steel was so treated as to oxidise the chromium it contained to sodium chromate. By addition of mercurous nitrate, mercurous chromate was precipitated, and ignited to chromic oxide, which weighed 0.1140 gm. What is the proportion of chromium in the steel?
- 98 The mother liquors of a Chile saltpetre plant contain 17% of sodium iodate. What weight of iodine could be obtained by treatment of 100 tons of mother liquors?
- 99 0.1570 gm. of native stibnite was fused with sodium peroxide. The melt was extracted with water, and after acidifying, barium chloride precipitated 0.3072 gm. of barium sulphate. What percentage of Sb₂S₃ does the stibnite contain?
- What weight of ferrous sulphide must be taken in order to generate sufficient hydrogen sulphide to precipitate completely the metals from a mixture of 450 gm. of lead nitrate and 320 gm. of cadmium nitrate?

- 101 What weight of sulphuric acid could be manufactured, start-ing with 10 Kg. of 110n pyrites?
- 102 1 gm. of sodium sulphide was dissolved in water, and oxidised by addition of bromine. What weight of barium sulphate would be precipitated on addition of excess of barium chloride?
- During the analysis of realgar, 0.3342 gm. of magnesium pyroarsenate was obtained from a sample of ore weighing 0.2710 gm. What percentage of As₂S₂ does the ore contain?
- A sample of potassium chlorate is contaminated with potassium chloride. 1.244 gm. of the substance left, after strong ignition, a residue weighing 0.8425 gm. Find the percentage purity of the potassium chlorate.
- 105 1.5600 gm, of felspar were treated so as to remove all except sodium and potassium salts. The sodium and potassium chlorides from the spar weighed 0.4735 gm. The chlorides were then converted to sulphates. These weighed 0.5610 gm. What was the percentage of sodium and potassium in the spar?

CHAPTER III

THE MOLECULE AND MOLECULAR WEIGHT

THE LAW OF GAS VOLUMES

In 1781 Cavendish had found that the volumes of hydrogen and oxygen which combine to form water are approximately 2: 1. Gay-Lussac and Humboldt confirmed this in 1805, and the former, being impressed by the simplicity of the ratio of volumes of the combining gases, extended his work to a study of gaseous reactions in general. He found, for example, that:—

2 volumes of hydrogen combine with 1 volume of oxygen to form 2 volumes of steam.

1 volume of hydrogen combines with 1 volume of chlorine to form hydrochloric acid.

2 volumes of carbon monoxide combine with 1 volume of oxygen to form 2 volumes of carbon dioxide.

2 volumes of nitric oxide combine with 1 volume of oxygen to form 2 volumes of nitrogen peroxide.

When gases unite there is a simple relation between the volumes of the interacting gases and the volumes of the gaseous products (if any), all volumes being measured under similar conditions of temperature and pressure.

This has been found to be a perfectly general but not an exact law. For example, Morley (see page 4) found that 200.269 volumes of hydrogen combined with 100 volumes of oxygen to form steam, whereas Burt and Edgar (Phil. Trans. 1916, A 216, 393) determined the ratio as 200.288: 100. Guye and Pintza (Mem. Sci.

Phys. Nat. 1908, 35, 594) showed that I volume of nitrogen combines with 3-00172 volumes of hydrogen to form ammonia. These slight differences from whole numbers are due to the different compressibilities of the gases also shown in the deviations from Boyle's law. Gay-Lussac's results were published in 1808, just after the introduction of the atomic theory by Dalton.

It was now evident from the facts (a) that gases combine in simple proportions by volume and (b) that gases combine in simple proportions by atoms, that there must be some simple relationship between the numbers of atoms in equal volumes of gases. Berzelius assumed from this that equal volumes of gases contain equal numbers of atoms. That this was not the case was pointed out by Dalton himself, who showed that the volume changes that should occur on the chemical combinations of gases were not those that were predicted from the above statement of Berzelius. For example, as nitric oxide (NO) is formed by the union of one atom of nitrogen and one of oxygen, we should expect that I volume of nitrogen and I volume of oxygen would give I volume of nitric oxide. It is found that 2 volumes of nitric oxide are produced. Thus, supposing I litre of oxygen containing n atoms, combined with an equal volume (1 litre) of nitrogen, which would also contain n atoms, then the 2 litres of nitric oxide, that would be experimentally found to be produced, could only contain n molecules

(compound atoms) of NO or one litre would contain $\frac{\pi}{2}$

particles—a direct contradiction of the statement that equal volumes of gases contain equal numbers of atoms. Avogadro in 1811 cleared away this and other difficulties in the way of the atomic theory; but his work was overlooked for nearly 50 years, during which time the atomic theory made but little progress, and owing to the uncertainty of determining the chemical formulæ of substances and hence their atomic weights, chemists were thrown back to the use of equivalent weights in their calculations.

AVOGADRO'S HYPOTHESIS

Avogadro assumed that the hypothesis that equal volumes of gases contained equal numbers of particles was correct, but he denied that the particles of elementary gases were necessarily atoms. Avogadro's hypothesis may be stated thus: equal volumes of gases and vapours, under the same conditions of temperature and pressure, contain equal numbers of molecules.

Avogadro pointed out that the molecules of elementary gases usually consisted of groups of atoms that moved about and behaved generally as if they were single particles. The definition of atom and molecule must now be restated. The molecule is the smallest mass of a substance that can exist in the free condition. The atom is the smallest particle (mass) of an element that can retain its identity in a chemical change. Both kinds of particle—atom and molecule—had been termed "atom" by Dalton and hence the confusion had arisen. Let us now apply the hypothesis to volume relationship in gaseous combination.

Example.

By experiment:— Hydrogen +chlorine = hydrogen chloride 1 volume +1 volume 2 volumes.

Now, from the statement of Berzelius, that equal volumes of gases contain equal numbers of atoms:—

1 atom + 1 atom → 2 atoms or ½ atom + ½ atom → 1 atom which is contrary to the definition of the atom. Bu

which is contrary to the definition of the atom. But assuming Avogadro's hypothesis to be true and the molecules of chlorine and hydrogen to contain two atoms each:—

1 molecule of hydrogen+1 molecule of chlorine->2 molecules of hydrogen chloride.

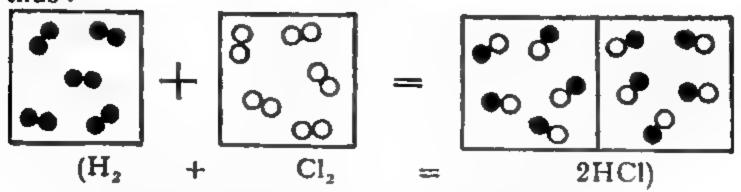
or 2 atoms of hydrogen+2 atoms of chlorine->2 molecules of hydrogen chloride.

or atom of hydrogen+1 atom of chlorine->1 molecule of hydrogen chloride.

This reconciles the composition by volume and by atoms and gives the following formula for the reaction:—

$$H_2 + Cl_2 = 2HCl$$

The reaction may also be explained diagrammatically thus:—



- represents an atom of hydrogen.
- represents a molecule of hydrogen.
- O represents an atom of chlorine.
- OO represents a molecule of chlorine.
- or represents a molecule of hydrogen chloride.

Thus it is to be seen from the diagram that two volumes (1 volume $H_2 + 1$ volume Cl_2) of the initial gases give rise to two volumes of hydrogen chloride. Also each volume contains an equal number of molecules (in this case 5 for simplicity). It should be noted, too, that the total number of atoms on the left hand side of the equation (20) is the same as the total number of atoms on the right hand side.

The above reaction can be equally well explained on the assumption that the molecules of hydrogen and chlorine each contain 4, 6, 8 or any other equal even number of atoms. For purposes of simplicity, however, the chlorine and hydrogen molecules are taken to be diatomic and there is ample evidence, both physical and chemical, for the truth of this assumption. Molecules of elements may contain from one to eight atoms in the gaseous state. For example, Hg, He, Na are monatomic, H₂, O₂, N₃, Cl₂, Br₂₁ I₂, F₂, are diatomic, Q₃ (ozone) is triatomic oxygen, P₄ and As₄ are tetratomic and sulphur may exist as S₈.

CALCULATIONS INVOLVING THE VOLUMES OF GASES.

Gay-Lussac's law and Avogadro's hypothesis can be applied to the calculation of many chemical problems where the volumes of gases are involved.

Example 1. What volume of air is required for the complete combustion of a mixture of 10 c.c. of hydrogen, 5 c.c. of carbon monoxide (CO) and 30 c.c. of ethylene (C₂H₄)? (Air contains 21% by volume of oxygen.)

In this type of example the full equation for each reaction must first be written down and underneath it, the volume relationships as deduced from Avogadro's hypothesis.

$${2CO \atop 2 \text{ vols}} + {O_2 \atop 1 \text{ vol.}} = {2CO_2 \atop 2 \text{ vols.}} .$$
 (2)

$$C_2H_4 + 3O_2 = 2CO_2 + 2H_2O$$

1 vol. 3 vols. 2 vols. 2 vols. . (3)

Substitution of the actual quantities of each gas present will now give the volume of oxygen required for the combustion.

Thus: 2 vols. of hydrogen combine with 1 volume of oxygen.

- ... 10 c.c. of hydrogen combine with 5 c.c. of oxygen.
- 2 volumes of CO combine with 1 volume of oxygen .. 5 c.c. of CO combine with 2.5 c.c. of oxygen.
- 1 volume of C, H, combines with 3 volumes of oxygen : 30 c.c. of C2H4 combine with 90 c.c. of oxygen.

The total volume of oxygen for the combustion of all three gases is therefore 5+2.5+90 = 97.5 c.c.

Volume of air required =
$$\frac{97.5 \times 100}{21}$$
 c.c. = 464.3 c.c.

Example 2. What volume of carbon dioxide will be produced on passing 5 litres of acetylene over red hot copper oxide, both gases being measured under the same conditions of temperature and pressure?

Again the equation should first be written, followed by the volume relationship.

$$C_2H_2 + 5CuO = 2CO_2 + H_2O + 5Cu$$
1 volume 2 volumes

1 volume of C_2H_2 produces 2 volumes of CO_2 : 5 litres of C_2H_2 produces 10 litres of CO_2 .

GAS ANALYSIS CALCULATIONS

Similar principles are used in calculating the results of gas analyses. Analysis of mixtures of gases is usually accomplished in the first instance by absorbing various

constituents out of the mixture, one at a time, by the use of reagents, and measuring the diminution in volume of the mixture after treatment with each reagent. The analysis is usually carried out in a gas burette or by one of the many convenient technical processes such as the Usually measurements of volume are Orsat method. made under constant conditions of temperature and pressure and so no corrections for these variables have to be made. The following reagents may be used in the order given; caustic potash solution to absorb carbon dioxide, alkaline pyrogallol or potassium hydrosulphite to absorb oxygen, bromine water to absorb unsaturated hydrocarbons and ammoniacal cuprous chloride solution to absorb carbon monoxide. The remaining gases, which usually contain hydrogen and methane, are estimated by explosion in a eudiometer or an explosion pipette with excess oxygen. The carbon dioxide produced by the combustion of the methane is absorbed in caustic potash, the diminution in volume due to the carbon dioxide being equal to the volume of methane from which it is formed. Any nitrogen that is present is left unchanged after the absorptions and the explosion. For full details of the method of procedure a textbook of quantitative analysis should be consulted.

The following examples illustrate the method of calculating the results.

Example 1. 19.6 c.c. of a mixture of CO, CH, and N, was analysed as follows. After shaking with caustic potash solution 11.5 c.c. remained. 30 c.c. of oxygen were added and the mixture exploded. After explosion and further treatment with potash solution, 14.4 c.c. of gas remained. Find the volume of each gas present in the mixture.

Treatment with caustic potash solution removed the CO_2 only, ... the diminution in volume = the volume of CO_2 .

That is 19.6-11.5 -01 c.c. of CO2 present.

The residual 11.5 c.c. of gas consists of methane and nitrogen. Let x = the volume of methane $\therefore 11.5 - x =$ volume of nitrogen.

$$CH_4 + 2O_2 = CO_2 + 2H_2O$$
1 vol. 2 vols. 1 vol.

which means that for the combustion of x c.c. of CH_4 , 2x c.c. of O_2 are required.

After explosion and absorption of the CO_2 formed, the total remaining gases were: oxygen 30-2x c.c.

nitrogen 11.5-x c.c.

These two gases together make up the residual volume of 14.4 c.c. 30-2x+11.5-x=14.4

3x = 27.1

x = 9.03 c.c. methane and 11.5-x = 2.47 c.c. nitrogen. The mixture therefore contained 8·1 c.c. CO_2 , 9·03 c.c. CH_4 and 2·47 c.c. N_2 .

Example 2. A fuel gas yielded the following analytical data:—

(a) volume of gas used for analysis = 86.3 c.c.

(b) volume after absorption by KOH = 78.6 c.c.

(c) volume after absorption by cuprous chloride = 51.8

(d) volume taken from (c) for explosion = 29.1 c.c.

(e) volume of (d) after addition of air = 82.4 c.c.

(f) volume after explosion = 65.0 c.c.

Temperature and pressure remain constant during the analysis.

Calculate the percentage composition of the gas.

CO, absorbed by the potash = 86.3 - 78.6 = 7.7 c.c.

hence %
$$CO_2 = \frac{7.7}{86.3} \times 100 = 8.9\%$$

CO absorbed by cuprous chloride = 78.6-51.8 = 26.8 c.c.

hence % CO =
$$\frac{26.8}{86.3} \times 100$$
 = 31.1%

Contraction on explosion = 82.4 - 65.0 = 17.4

equation $2H_2 + O_2 = 2H_2O$ 2 vols. 1 vol.

If the water produced during the explosion is all condensed to liquid; then the contraction will represent the volume of hydrogen exploded + half its volume of oxygen, or 2/3 of the contraction is due to the hydrogen;

... vol. of hydrogen $2/3 \times 17.4 = 11.6$ c.c. in 29.1 c.c. of gas

hence %
$$H_a = \frac{11.6 \times 51.8 \times 100}{29.1 \times 86.3} = 23.9\%$$

By difference the percentage of N_2 is 100-(8.9+31.1+23.9) = 36.1%

The % composition is thus carbon dioxide = 8.9% carbon monoxide = 31.1% hydrogen = 23.9% nitrogen = 36.1%

Example 3. 50.2 c.c. of a mixture of hydrogen, methane and nitrogen was mixed with 100 c.c. of oxygen and exploded, the volume of the residual gases being 77.2 c.c. After shaking with caustic potash solution 57.8 c.c. remained. Find the volume of each gas in the mixture.

Equations.

$$^{2H_2}_{2 \text{ vols}} + ^{O_2}_{1 \text{ vol.}} = ^{2H_2O}_{2}$$
 (1)

from equation (2) it is seen that methane produces its own volume of carbon dioxide. The contraction on shaking with caustic potash, due to the absorption of the carbon dioxide, thus represents the volume of methane: 77.2-57.8 = 19.4 c.c.

Volume of hydrogen + nitrogen is thus $50\cdot2-19\cdot4=30\cdot8$ c.c.

let x = the volume H_2 , then 30.8 - x = vol. of N_2 .

On explosion the decrease in volume is due to:-

x c.c. $H_2 + \frac{1}{2}x$ c.c. $O_2 = 1.5x$ c.c. (from equation 1) and only 2×19.4 c.c. O_2 (trom) equation 2) as methane produces its own volume of CO_2 .

Total contraction is thus = 1.5x + 38.8 = 150.2 - 77.7 = 73 c.c.

1.5x = 34.2

x = 22.8 c.c. bydrogen

hence 30.8-22.8=8 c.c. of nitrogen.

The composition of the mixture is thus:—methane 19.4 c.c. hydrogen 22.8 c.c. nitrogen 8.0 c.c.

PROBLEMS INVOLVING GAS VOLUMES AND GAS ANALYSIS

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

106 A mixture of 10 c.c. of CO, 5 c.c. of CO₂ and 15 c.c. of CH₄ was exploded with 50 c.c. of oxygen. The residual gas was collected over caustic potash solution, all measurements being made at 17°C and 748 mm. pressure. Calculate the volume of the residual gas.

107 Calculate the volume of hydrobromic acid formed by the complete decomposition of 2 litres of hydrogen iodide by bromine.

108 What volume of oxygen will liberate the same amount of iodine from excess of hydrogen iodide as 1 litre of chlorine?

How many litres of air (20% oxygen) are required for the combustion of 1 litre each of (1) hydrogen, (2) methane, (3) ethylene and (4) acetylene, all measurements being made at N.T.P.?

- 110 Calculate the minimum supply of air (containing 21% oxygen by volume) necessary for the complete combustion of 15 cu. ft. of gas containing 30% CH₄, 50% H₂, 10% CO, 5% CO₂ and 5% N₂.
- What volume of oxygen is necessary for the combustion of (1) 250 c.c. of carbon disulphide vapour, (2) 500 c.c. of hydrogen iodide, (3) 200 c.c. of hydrogen sulphide and (4) 1 litre of hydrogen, all measurements being made under the same conditions of temperature and pressure?
- 112 150 c.c. of a hydrocarbon C₄H₁₀ were exploded with excess oxygen. How much oxygen was required for the combustion, how much carbon dioxide was produced, and how much carbon monoxide could be produced from it by reduction with carbon?
- 113 A quantity of an unsaturated hydrocarbon of the formula C_3H_6 forms an addition compound, $C_3H_6Br_2$ with 23 c.c. of bromine vapour. What volume of the hydrocarbon was present?
- 114 30 c.c. of methane, CH_a and ethane C₂H_a, were exploded with 100 c.c. of oxygen. Potash absorbed all but 10 c.c. of the residual gases, all measurements being made at the same temperature and pressure. What volume of methane and of ethane was there in the mixture?
- 115 I litre of ammonia gas was decomposed completely by sparking, 2 litres of bydrogen-nitrogen mixture resulting. After addition of excess oxygen the volume was 3200 c.c. After explosion, 950 c.c. of gas remained. Deduce from these data the formula of ammonia.
- 116 A gaseous hydrocarbon contains 82.75% C and 17.25% H. When burnt with a sufficient amount of oxygen, 100 c.c. of the hydrocarbon yield 400 c.c. of CO₂, both gases being measured under the same conditions of temperature and pressure. Find (a) the empirical and (b) the molecular formula of the hydrocarbon.
- 117 How much oxygen at 18° and 740 mm. would be required for the complete combustion of 100 c.c. of arsine, measured at N.T.P.?
- 118 3 c.c. of a mixture of methane and ethylene were exploded with excess of air. Caustic soda solution absorbed 5 c.c. from the residual gases. Find the proportion of the two gases in the mixture.
- 119 12 c.c. of a mixture of methane and ethylene were exploded with excess of oxygen. Caustic potash absorbed 17 c.c. from the resulting mixture. Find the proportion of the two gases in the mixture.

- 120 15 c.c. of a mixture of hydrogen and methane were exploded with 18 c.c. of oxygen. Caustic potash absorbed all the residual gas. What proportions of hydrogen and methane did the mixture contain?
- 121 20.4 c.c. of a mixture of carbon dioxide, methane and nitrogen was analysed as follows. After shaking with caustic potash solution, 9.0 c.c. remained. 20 c.c. of oxygen were added and the mixture exploded. After explosion and further treatment with caustic potash, 5.9 c.c. remained. What was the volume of each gas present in the mixture?
- What volume of air is required for the compete combustion of a mixture of 10 c.c. of hydrogen, 40 c.c. of acetylene, 5 c.c. of carbon monoxide and 5 c.c. of oxygen? (Air contains 20% oxygen by volume.)
- A sample of 39 c.c. of air from a coal mine and suspected to contain methane, was mixed with 10 c.c. of oxygen and the mixture exploded, 45.2 c.c. remaining after the explosion. After addition of hydrogen, the volume was 85.2 c.c. and on further explosion contracted to 43.2 c.c. Was there any methans in the air? Calculate the percentage composition of the air.
- 124 75 c.c. of oxygen were added to 25 c.c. of a mixture of methane and ethane and the mixed gases exploded. After explosion, caustic potash extracted 31 c.c. from the total volume. Calculate the proportion of the two gases in the mixture and also the volume of oxygen left after the explosion.
- 125 15 c.c. of a certain hydrocarbon were mixed with 100 c.c. of oxygen in a eudiometer. After explosion, potassium hydroxide solution absorbed 45 c.c. of gas from the residue, the remaining 25 c.c. being oxygen. What was the formula of the hydrocarbon?
- What volume of nitric oxide measured at N.T.P. is required to burn 50 c.c. of carbon disulphide vapour measured at 760 mm. and 47°C. and what is the volume of the residual gases at N.T.P.?
- 127 30 c.c. of a methane, acetylene mixture were exploded with 70 c.c. of oxygen over strong caustic potash solution. The residual gases occupied 4.0 c.c. Calculate the percentage composition of the mixture.
- A mixture of 32 c.c. of methane, hydrogen and nitrogen was exploded with 61 c.c. of oxygen. Strong caustic potash solution absorbed 24.1 c.c. from the residual gases which measured 34.5 c.c. before the potash treatment. Find the percentage of the three gases in the mixture.

129 36 c.c. of ammonia gas containing some nitrogen were catalytically oxidised by 60 c.c. of oxygen, the nitrogen remaining unchanged. After cooling and waiting until equilibrium had been established, the residual gases occupied 39.5 c.c., all volumes being measured at N.T.P. Calculate the percentage of nitrogen in the ammonia.

130 28 c.c. of chlorine monoxide were heated with 60 c.c. of hydrochloric acid gas and the resulting mixture exploded with 60 c.c. of hydrogen. What volume of gas is produced and what volume would be left on washing the mixture with

water? All measurements were made at N.T.P.

of olefines (ethylene and propylene) which yielded on combustion 10.98 volumes of carbon dioxide. Calculate the illuminating power of the gas expressed as effective per

centage of ethylene.

An analysis of coal gas was carried out by successive absorptions of carbon dioxide, ethylene, oxygen and carbon monoxide in gas pipettes followed by explosion of the residual gas with an excess of oxygen, and further absorption of carbon dioxide formed. The following results were obtained:—Initial volume of gas 100 c.c.

Volume after absorption by potash 99.7 c.c.

Volume after absorption by bromine water 97.3 c.c.

Volume after absorption by pyrogallol 96.7 c.c.

Volume after absorption by cuprous chloride 83.6 c.c. 40 c.c. of the residue were taken and oxygen added until

the volume was 100 c.c. After explosion 34.84 c.c. remained and the residual volume after absorption by potash was 20.88

c.c. Calculate the composition of the gas.

A sample of 100 c.c. of water gas showed a contraction of 7.08 c.c. on bubbling through caustic potash solution. 47 c.c. were now taken from the residue and 43 c.c. of oxygen added, after which the mixture was exploded and the volume found to be 30.8 c.c. Find the percentage of carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and hydrogen in the gas.

134 5 litres of coal gas having the following percentage composition, hydrogen 49.1%, methane 26.2%, carbon monoxide 12.0%, ethylene 4.8%, carbon dioxide 0.7%, oxygen 1.1% and nitrogen 6.1% were passed over red hot copper oxide.

What volume of carbon dioxide was produced?

A sample of 100 c.c. of Mond Gas measured 87·1 c.c. after absorption by caustic potash. After further absorption by cuprous chloride solution the volume became 73·9 c.c. The volume of the mixture was now made up to 100 c.c. by the addition of pure oxygen, and then exploded. The volume was now 57·8 c.c. and after further treatment with caustic potash diminished to 55·5 c.c. Calculate the percentage composition of the gas.

THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE MOLECULAR WEIGHT AND THE VOLUME OF GASES AND VAPOURS

(1) Relative Density and Molecular Weight.

By definition, the relative density of a gas =

weight of a given volume of gas weight of an equal volume of hydrogen

Now, by Avogadro's hypothesis, equal volumes of gases contain equal numbers of molecules under the same conditions of temperature and pressure.

... relative density = \frac{\text{weight of one molecule of gas}}{\text{weight of one molecule of hydrogen}} = weight of one molecule of gas weight of two atoms of hydrogen molecular weight of the gas 2.016

Or if O = 16 and H = 1.008 are taken as standard of atomic weights, then the molecular weight of a gas = $2.016 \times its$ relative density.

(2) The Molecular Volume.

The molecular weight of any gas = 2.016 x its relative density

= 2.016 × weight of a given volume of the gas weight of an equal volume of hydrogen

If, for convenience, we take 2.016 grams as the weight of the hydrogen, the molecular weight will be equal to that weight of gas that occupies the same volume as 2.016 grams of hydrogen. This value is found to be 22.41 litres at N.T.P.

The molecular weight (in grams) of any gas occu-

pies 22.41 litres at o°C. and 760 mm.

This value, which is strictly exact only for ideal gases and is only approximate for real gases owing to deviations caused by intermolecular attractions, has very wide applications in simplified calculations of the volumes of

gases produced by the interaction of known weights of materials without involving the densities of the gases concerned. This is done by substituting the gram molecular volume in the equation in place of the gram molecular weight.

Example 1. What volume of oxygen and of hydrogen at N.T.P. will be produced by the electrolysis of 100 gm. of water?

First of all the equation should be written in full.

 $2H_2 + O_2 = 2H_2O$

Then the volume relationships should be expressed.

2 volumes of H_2+1 volume of $O_2=2$ gm. molecules of H_2O_3

or 2×22.41 litres $H_2 + 22.41$ litres $O_2 = 2 \times 18$ gm. H_2O

22.41 litres of O_2 are produced by 36 gm. of H_2O $\therefore \frac{22.41 \times 100}{36} \qquad , \qquad , \qquad , \qquad , \qquad 100 \text{ gm. of } H_2O$ = 62.25 litres of oxygen

and 62.25 × 2 = 124.5 litres of hydrogen are also evolved.

Example 2. 1 gm. of magnesium nitride containing MgO as an impurity, yields 336.15 c.c. of NH, at N.T.P. when treated with water. What was the weight of nitride in the mixture?

Equation: $-Mg_3N_2 + 3H_2O = 3MgO + 2NH_3$ (application of mol. wts. and vols.)

100 gm. of Mg₃N₂ evolve 2×22·41 litres of NH₃

 $\frac{100 \times 336 \cdot 15}{2 \times 22410} \text{ gm. evolve } 336 \cdot 15 \text{ c.c. NH}_3$ = 0.75 gm.

Example 3. Find the percentage composition of an alloy of iron and magnesium, 5 gm. of which, when dissolved in acid, gave 2.81 litres of hydrogen at N.T.P.

Equation: Fe + H_2SO_4 = $FeSO_4$ + H_2 quantitative 56 gm. \Rightarrow 22.41 litres

relation :-

Equation: - Mg + H₂SO₄ = MgSO₄ + H₂

quantitative 24 gm. -> 22-41 litres

relation:—

Let x = the weight of Fe in 100 gm. of the alloy, then 100-x = weight of Mg.

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56 gm. Fe give 22.41 litres H_2 ; 24 gm. Mg. give 22.41 litres H_2 . $\therefore x$ gm. Fe give $22.41 \times \frac{x}{56}$ litres H_2

and (100-x) gm. Mg. give
$$22.41 \times \frac{(100-x)}{24}$$
 litres

Now the H₂ from the iron + H₂ from the magnesium makes up the total volume of gas from 100 gm, of the alloy.

$$= \frac{2 \cdot 81 \times 100}{5} = 56 \cdot 2 \text{ litres}$$

$$\therefore 22 \cdot 41 \times \frac{x}{56} + \frac{22 \cdot 41}{24} \frac{(100 - x)}{24} = 56 \cdot 2$$
or $22 \cdot 41 \frac{(3x + 700 - 7x)}{168} = 56 \cdot 2$. $\therefore 4x = 280$ $x = 70$

The alloy therefore contains 70% of iron and 30% magnesium.

PROBLEMS INVOLVING THE USE OF THE GRAM MOLECULAR VOLUME

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- 136 What volume of hydrogen at 15°C, and 770 mm, can be produced by dissolving 70 gm, of pure zinc in sulphuric acid?
- 137 What volume of ammonia gas at N.T.P. is required to neutralise 100 gm. of a 43% solution of hydrochloric acid?
- Determine the volume of sulphuretted hydrogen that could be obtained by reacting on 1 Kgm. of 78% pure iron sulphide with excess of hydrochloric acid.
- 139 What volume of air (21%O2) at 17°C, and 755 mm. is required to convert 25 gm. of sulphur into sulphur dioxide, and what volume of the dioxide will be obtained at N.T.P.?
- 140 Determine the volume of hydrochloric acid gas at N.T.P. required to precipitate all the silver from a solution containing 3.76 gm. of silver nitrate.
- 141 25 litres of steam, measured at 100°C. and 760 mm. are heated in an iron bomb to 300° under pressure. Calculate the increase in weight of the iron and the volume of hydrogen produced and measured at N.T.P.
- Calculate the volume of nitrous oxide measured at 17°C. and 760 mm. obtained by heating 10 gm. of pure ammonium nitrate.
- What volume of air is required for the complete combustion of 50 Kgm. of coal having the following percentage composition:—C 85.46%, H 7.21%, O 5.37%, the rest being ash?

- 144 50 c.c. of methane measured at 20°C. and 750 mm. were passed over of excess of red hot copper oxide. What was the decrease in weight of the latter?
- 145 What weight of potassium chlorate is required to produce sufficient oxygen to combine with 15 litres of hydrogen at N.T.P.?
- 146 How many cubic centimetres of oxygen at 17°C, and 748 mm, could be obtained by the action of H₂O₂ on 2.5 gm, of potassium permanganate in sulphuric acid solution?
- 147 What volume of gas would be evolved on heating 20 gm. of copper (a) with concentrated sulphuric acid and (b) with dilute nitric acid?
- The gas obtained by heating 17.4 gm. of manganese dioxide with hydrochloric acid was led into excess ammonia solution. What volume of gas was evolved at 17°C. and 720 mm.?
- 149 A manufacturer of bleaching powder requires 100,000 litres of chlorine. How much common salt would be require as a source of his chlorine, allowing for 14% loss during the process?
- 150 What volume of water gas could be obtained by passing 20 Kgm. of steam over incandescent coke, no CO₂ being formed?
- The hydrogen necessary to fill a 25,000 litre balloon was produced by passing steam over red hot scrap iron. How much iron of 85% purity is required, assuming that it is completely converted to the black oxide of iron?
- 152 10 gm. of a compound having the formula C.H.N were burnt in oxygen What volume of oxygen was required, and what was the volume and composition of the gaseous products of combustion at N.T.P.?
- 153 25 gm. of a compound having the formula C₂H₂N were burnt in oxygen. What volume of oxygen was required, and what was the volume and composition of the gaseous products of combustion, all measurements being made at 0°C, and 750 mm.?
- Write the equation for the preparation of phosphine from phosphorus and caustic soda and calculate the volume of phosphine at N.T.P. that can be obtained from 10 gm. of phosphorus.
- What volume of carbon monoxide measured at N.T.P. could be obtained from (a) 25 gm. of potassium ferrocyanide K.Fe(CN), and (b) from 30 gm. of oxalic acid crystals (COOH), 2H₂O with sufficient amounts of sulphuric acid?
- 156 A sample of anthracite coal has the following percentage composition:—C = 86.4%, volatile matter = 6.2%, moisture = 2.1%, ash = 5.3%. Assuming the volatile matter

to be methane, calculate the volume of air at 750 mm. and 25°C. necessary for the complete combustion of 1 Kilogram of the coal.

- 157 Assuming that 1.1 litres of carbon dioxide are absorbed in sunlight by each square metre of leaf surface per hour; calculate the weight of carbon that will be assimilated by a plantation of 1,000 trees, possessing on an average 100,000 leaves of average area 30 sq cm., during a summer's day of ten hours' sunlight.
- 159 1.04 gm. of a mixture of anhydrous ammonium nitrate and ammonium nitrite were heated, and the mixed gases evolved found to occupy when dry, 363 c.c. at 18°C. and 720 mm. What was the percentage composition of the mixture?
- 159 I gram of a mixture of anhydrous sodium chloride, sodium carbonate and potassium nitrate gave off 48.6 c.c. of carbon dioxide at N.T.P. when heated with dilute acid. By the action of concentrated sulphuric acid the whole mixture gave 1.130 gm. of the mixed sulphate. Calculate the percentage of the three salts in the mixture.
- 160 0.85 gm. of the mixed carbonates of barium and magnesium gave, on treatment with hydrochloric acid, 203 c.c. of carbon dioxide at 13°C and 570 mm. Find the proportions of the two carbonates in the mixture.

GAS DENSITIES

The term density of a gas or vapour is often incorrectly used to indicate the relative density or specific gravity of the gas or vapour with reference to hydrogen at the same temperature and pressure. The true density or mass per unit volume obviously depends on the units chosen, but with a unit of volume of half the gram molecular volume, 11.205 litres measured at 0°C. and 760 mm., and a unit of mass of one gram, it becomes numerically equal to the relative density referred to hydrogen. It becomes evident that the density expressed in grams per litre at 0°C. and 760 mm. must be multiplied by 11.205 if it is to be converted to the relative density with respect to hydrogen. Relative densities referred to air as standard must be multiplied by 14.41 to bring them to the relative density referred to hydrogen, as the relative density of air to hydrogen is 14.41.

The deductions from Avogadro's hypothesis on p. 49 that the molecular weight of a gas equals twice (or on

the standard O = 16, 2.016 times) its relative density furnishes a valuable method of determining the molecular weights of gases or of substances capable of being vaporised. The relative density will be the weight of 11.20 litres of the gas or vapour at N.T.P., or the molecular weight is the weight of 22.4 litres at N.T.P.

The density of a gas is determined by weighing an evacuated globe, filling it with the gas and re-weighing. The volume of the globe is determined by weighing it

full of distilled water.

Example. Find the density of carbon dioxide from the following data:—

Weight of flask evacuated 138.096 gm. Weight of flask full of CO, 139.726 gm. Weight of flask full of water 1028.3 gm.

Temperature of the gas 15°C., pressure 748 mm. Assuming the density of hydrogen to be 0.089 gm. per litre calculate the relative density of carbon dioxide.

Weight of carbon dioxide will equal the weight of the flask full of the gas minus the weight of the evacuated flask.

$$= 139.726 - 138.097$$
$$= 1.629 \text{ gm}.$$

Volume of the flask = volume of water contained in it = 1028.3-138.1

= 890.2 c.c. at 15°C. and 748 mm.

=
$$890.2 \times \frac{273}{288} \times \frac{748}{760}$$
 c.c. at N.T.P.
= 830.7 c.c.

Density = weight of one litre

$$= 1.961$$

Relative density of carbon dioxide =
$$\frac{\text{density of carbon dioxide}}{\text{density of hydrogen}}$$

$$= \frac{1.961}{0.089}$$

$$= 22.04$$

In accurate work corrections have to be made for the buoyancy of the air, as the true weight of the globe in vacuum will be the apparent weight of the globe in air plus the weight of the displaced air. To eliminate this correc-

tion and also errors due to the variable film of moisture that is condensed on the surface of the globe, a compensating globe may be used. There is still a correction to be applied for the shrinking of the globes under pressure. If allowance is made for all these possible sources of error, accurate results for the densities of gases may be obtained by the method outlined.

VAPOUR DENSITY DETERMINATIONS

As vapours obey, although only approximately, the same laws of expansion as gases, it is possible to reduce the volume of a known weight of vapour that has been determined under definite conditions of temperature and pressure, to N.T.P. and so find the density of the vapour by the same means as that used for gases. Such a density will be a purely hypothetical value as the vapour may exist as a liquid or a solid at 0° and 760 mm., but it is a convenient quantity and divided by the density of hydrogen at N.T.P. gives the (relative) vapour density.

Determinations of vapour density are valuable for the calculation of molecular weights and may be carried out of the following methods:—

(I) HOPFMANN'S METHOD

In this method the liquid is weighed into a small stoppered bottle so that it is quite full and no air bubbles are present. The bottle is now placed into a wide barometer tube of about a metre in length, surrounded by a bath of vapour which maintains the temperature constant and considerably above the boiling point of the liquid whose density has to be found. When the bottle reaches the top of the mercury in the barometer tube the stopper is forced out owing to the reduced pressure, and the liquid volatilises. After the mercury level becomes constant, the following data are noted:—

- (i) The volume of the vapour in c.c. as read off from the graduated tube.
 - (ii) The temperature of the jacket.

(iii) The pressure of the vapour, which is approximately given by the barometric pressure minus the height

of mercury above the level in the trough.

The weight of the liquid is known and also the volume of its vapour under definite conditions of temperature and pressure, and so the vapour density may be calculated.

Example. 0.285 gm. of chloroform gave 113.4 c.c. of vapour in a Hoffmann's apparatus at 100°C. Barometric pressure 760 mm.; height of mercury above level in bath 271 mm.

113.4 c.c at 100°C. and 760-271 mm. =
$$113.4 \times \frac{273}{373} \times \frac{489}{760}$$
 c.c. at N.T.P. = 53.4 c.c.

53.4 c.c. is the volume occupied by 0.285 gm. at N.T.P.

$$\therefore 11200 \text{ c.c. would weigh } \frac{0.285 \times 11200}{53.4} = 59.7 \text{ gm.}$$

$$\therefore \text{ vapour density} = 59.7$$

(II) DUMAS' METHOD

In this method a glass bulb of capacity about 200 c.c., with a drawn-out neck, is thoroughly cleaned, dried and weighed. Some of the liquid whose vapour density is to be found is now drawn into the bulb by warming it and allowing it to cool with the neck dipping into the liquid. The quantity of liquid introduced should be more than

sufficient to fill the bulb when it is vaporised, so as to ensure that all air is expelled.

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The bulb is now placed in an iron bath containing water, oil, paraffin wax or some other substance; the temperature being kept at about 40° above the boiling point of the liquid under investigation. Volatilisation occurs, air being expelled rapidly and the bulb filled with vapour. When the rush of vapour has ceased, the tip of the neck is sealed off and the

temperature of the bath read. The bulb is now removed from the bath, cleaned, dried and weighed. The neck is then scratched with a file and the tip broken under the surface of water that has been boiled free from dissolved gases. Water rushes into the bulb and fills it completely. It is now re-weighed full of water and with the piece of the neck that has been broken off. The atmospheric pressure during the experiment is noted.

Example. The following results were obtained during the determination of the vapour density of an organic compound by Dumas' method.

Weight of bulb filled with air at 16°C. = 27.617 gm.

vapour at 162°C. = 27.914 gm.

vapour at 162°C. = 204.7 gm.

Barometric pressure throughout the experiment = 760 mm.

Determine the vapour density and hence the molecular weight of the liquid.

Volume of bulb = 204.7 - 27.6 = 177.1 c.c.

177.1 c.c. at 16°C. and 760 mm. become $177.1 \times \frac{273}{289} = 167.3$ c.c.

at N.T.P. density of air at N.T.P. = 1.293 gm. per litre

... 167.3 c.c. of air weigh $\frac{1.293 \times 167.3}{1000}$ gm.

= 0.216 gm.

Then weight of bulb, vacuous = 27.617-0.216 gm. = 27.401 gm. weight of vapour = 27.914-27.401 = 0.513 gm. Yolume of vapour = 177.1 c.c. at 162° C. and 760 mm.

= $177 \cdot 1 \times \frac{175}{435}$ = 111·1 c.c. at N.T.P.

The vapour density will be the weight that occupies 11.2 litres 111.1 c.c of the vapour weigh 0.513 gm.

11.2 litres ,, ,, $\frac{0.513 \times 11200}{111.1} = 51.7 \text{ gm}.$

vapour density = 51.7

Molecular weight = vapour density $\times 2 = 51.7 \times 2$

= 103.4

This method is of much wider application than that of Hoffmann, but is not so accurate and has the disadvantage of requiring a comparatively large amount of liquid for a single determination; also if the substance

contains any high boiling impurities these come off last and the observed density is too high. Dumas' method has been extended to the determination of vapour densities at high temperatures, a porcelain bulb being used in a bath of sulphur or a conveniently melting metal. Often the weight of vapour in the bulb is determined by a chemical analysis of the contents.

(III) VICTOR MEYER'S METHOD

Victor Meyer's displacement method is the converse of Dumas' method, in that the volume of vapour due to the volatilisation of a given weight of liquid or solid is measured, instead of the weight of a fixed volume of vapour.

The heat necessary for the vaporisation of the sub-

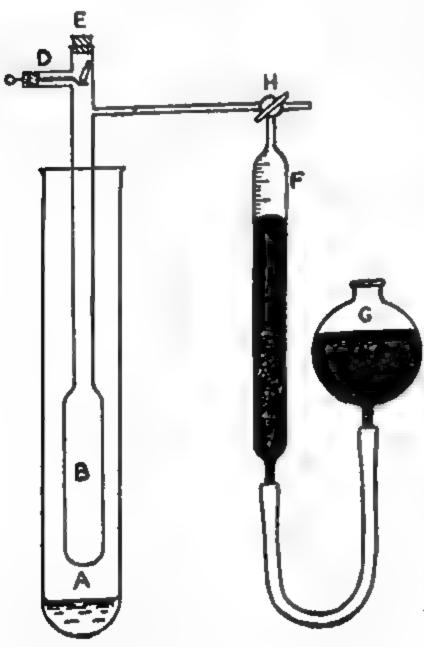


FIG. 4.

stance is provided by the bath A, which contains a liquid boiling some 30above the boiling point of the liquid under investigation, but whose temperature need not be accurately known. the bath is the bulb B, in which the vaporisation actually takes place. It is connected to a gas burette, F, by means of a capillary-tube connection and the three-way tap H. In carrying out determination, liquid in the bath A is allowed to gently with the tap (H) open to the air for some minutes, by which heat equilibrium should be established. A

weighed amount of the substance contained in a small stoppered bottle is now introduced into the apparatus at E and the cork quickly replaced. The bottle falls on to the glass rod at D. Connection is now made between the vaporisation tube and the gas burette which is full of water or mercury, by means of the tap H, after which D is pulled out and the bottle falls to the bottom of the bulb B, which is prevented from breaking by a little The liquid vaporises quickly asbestos on the bottom. and the stopper is blown out of the bottle. The vapour displaces the air from the bulb B into the burette F, where its volume is read after it becomes constant, the level T being made the same as that in the reservoir G. volume of the vapour is equal to the volume of the air displaced, and this volume is known under definite conditions of temperature and pressure, and so the vapour density may be calculated. If the gas is collected over water allowance must be made for the pressure of water vapour in the gas burette.

Example. 0.1462 gm. of a liquid expelled 31.2 c.c. of moist air at 15°C. and 760 mm. when vaporised in a Victor Meyer's apparatus. Calculate the molecular weight of the liquid. (Vapour pressure of water at 15° = 13 mm.)

Volume of dry air expelled at N.T.P. will be $31.2 \times \frac{273}{288} \times \frac{760-13}{760} = 29.07$ c.c.

This equals the volume of vapour, reduced to N.T.P. Now 29.07 c.c. of vapour weigh 0.1426 gm.

$$\frac{0.1426 \times 22410}{29.07} = 109.9 \text{ gm}.$$

The molecular weight of the substance is 109.9

(The molecular weight may also be found from a direct calculation of the vapour density, as follows:—

From the calculation above, the volume of vapour at N.T.P. = 29-07 c.c.

vapour density = weight of vapour weight of an equal volume of hydrogen (density of hydrogen = 0.000089 gm. per c.c.)

... vapour density =
$$\frac{0.142}{0.000089 \times 29.07}$$

= 55.0

Molecular weight = $55.0 \times 2 = 110.0$ This method of calculation is longer and is not recommended.} Victor Meyer's method for the determination of vapour densities is accurate to within 2.5% only, but it is much more convenient, requires a much smaller quantity of the material and is more frequently used than Dumas' method. Victor Meyer's method was applied by Nernst (Z. Electrochem., 1903, 9, 622) to the determination of vapour densities at high temperatures, using an iridium bulb which could be heated electrically to 2000°C.

DETERMINATION OF THE FORMULÆ OF GASES

The formula of a gas or of a substance capable of being vaporised is usually deduced from its molecular weight (as calculated from its relative density) and from the volume relationships that hold in one or more of its reactions.

Example. Determination of the formula of ammonia gas. A long tube, fitted with a tap at the top, was filled with chlorine gas and concentrated ammonia solution added drop by drop. Each drop of ammonia reacted with a yellowish flame and the formation of white clouds of ammonium chloride, which were washed down with a little water at the end of the reaction and sulphuric acid added to neutralise the excess ammonia solution that had been added. The tube was then cooled and connected to a beaker of boiled-out water. On opening the tap at the top of the tube, water flowed in. It was found that the residual nitrogen filled one-third of the tube. The relative density of ammonia was found to be 8.5. Find the formula of the gas.

Molecular weight = 2×the relative density = 8.5×2 = 17.

Now three volumes of chlorine react with the hydrogen of ammonia to form hydrogen chloride and leave 1 volume of nitrogen.

H, + Cl₂ = 2HCl 1 volume 1 volume

the three volumes of chlorine were equivalent to three volumes of hydrogen, i.e., I volume of nitrogen is combined in ammonia, with three volumes of hydrogen. The formula is $(NH_3)x$. Now the sum of the constituent atomic weights will be equal to the molecular weight, which is known.

or
$$(14+3) \times x = 17$$

 $x = 1$

and so the formula must be NH3.

PROBLEMS ON THE DETERMINATION OF VAPOUR DENSITIES, MOLECULAR WEIGHTS AND THE FORMULÆ OF GASES

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

161 The normal densities of the three inert gases, helium, neon and argon are 0-1786, 0-9002 and 1-7838 respectively, find their relative densities and, assuming them to be monatomic, their atomic weights.

162 The densities of a number of gases are given below. Calculate the molecular weights of these gases:—

nitrous oxide
nitric oxide
nitric oxide
ammonia
1.9777 gm./litre
1.3402 gm./litre
0.7708 gm./litre
sulphur dioxide
2.9267 gm./litre
methane
0.7168 gm./litre
hydrogen chloride
1.6392 gm./litre

163 The following results were obtained in the determination of the density of nitrogen by the method of compensating globes:—

weight of globe evacuated = 0.000 (exactly compensated).

weight of globe full of nitrogen = 53.853 gm.

The pressure during this weighing was 760 mm. and the globes were immersed in ice.

Weight of the globe full of water at 4° = 43,062.4 gm. Find the normal density and the relative density of nitrogen.

The density of sulphur dioxide was determined by weighing a flask full of air, full of sulphur dioxide and then estimating the weight of the gas by chemical means. The following results were obtained:—

Weight of the flask+air = 265.410 gm. weight of the flask+sulphur dioxide = 269.504 gm. weight of the sulphur dioxide = 7.335 gm.

All measurements were made at N.T.P. Find the normal density and the molecular weight of the gas.

165 The following data were obtained in two determinations of the vapour density of phosphorous oxide by Hoffmann's method:—

weight of material 0.0880 gm. 0.0880 gm. temperature of tube 160°C. 185°C. 767 mm. height of mercury column 612 mm. 601 mm. volume of vapour 69.7 c.c. 70.7 c.c.

Determine the molecular weight of the oxide and, assuming its empirical formula to be P₂O₂, find its molecular formula.

166 Calculate the molecular weight of camphor vapour from the following data obtained in a determination by Dumas' method:—

weight of bulb+air = 65.526 gm. weight of bulb+camphor vapour = 66.400 gm.

Temperature of bath 248°C., pressure 745 mm. Volume of mercury required to fill the bulb 397 c.c.

167 Calculate the molecular weight of alcohol from the following data from a Dumas' determination:—

weight of bulb+air = 47.683 gm. weight of bulb+vapour = 47.507 gm. volume of bulb = 326 c.c.

Temperature of sealing, 150°, temperature of weighing, 16°C, pressure, 740 mm.

- The molecular weight of aluminium chloride was obtained by a modification of Dumas' method at 400°C. The pressure of the vapour was exactly atmospheric, but a small amount of air was present, afterwards found to occupy 242 c.c. at 12 mm. pressure and 16°C. The weight of the bulb filled with air was 47.612 gm., and filled with the vapour was 48.586 gm. All weighings were carried out at 16°C. and 750 mm. The volume of the bulb was 250 c.c. Calculate the molecular weight of aluminium chloride.
- Calculate the molecular weight of a substance that gave the following data in a vapour density determination by Victor Meyer's method:—Weight of substance taken 0.0619 gm.; volume of air displaced 20.51 c.c., temperature 16.5°C., pressure 718 mm. (aqueous tension at 16.5°, 14.00 mm.).
- 170 0.1361 gm. of mercury on vaporisation in Victor Meyer's apparatus displaced a volume of air which measured 17.3 c.c at 18°C. and 745 mm. Calculate the molecular weight of mercury. (Vapour pressure of water at 18°C. is 15.5 mm.)
- 171 0-1321 gm. of a certain liquid was vaporised in a Victor Meyer apparatus. The volume of gas expelled and collected over water at 18·C* was 31·3 c.c. at 748·9 mm. (Vapour pressure of water at 18°C, is 15·5 mm.)
- 172 Vapour density determination on an organic liquid of Victor Meyer's method (accuracy 2½%) at 150° C. and at 250°C. gave the following data:—

weight of material taken 0.0884 gm. 0.0622 gm. volume of air displaced 24.6 c.c. 17.3 c.c. temperature of water 16°C. 771 mm. 771 mm.

What are the mol. wts. of the vapour at these temperatures, and is there any evidence for the existence of a polymer at the higher temperature? (V.P. of water vapour at 16°, 13.5.)

- 173 An oxide of nitrogen was analysed by burning a spiral of iron wire in it, when the oxygen was removed and half its volume of nitrogen left. The vapour density of the gas was 15, determine its formula.
- 174 The vapour density of the hydride of an element X is 39.0 and on heating, the volume of the gas increases by half. Using the atomic weight tables, identify X and find the formula of its hydride.
- 175 Three hydrides of silicon have vapour densities 16, 31.7 and 46.4 respectively. On heating they all decompose, depositing silicon and producing hydrogen; the first yields twice its volume of hydrogen, the second three times its volume and the third four times. Find the formula of the three gases.

ABNORMAL VAPOUR DENSITIES

When ammonium chloride is vaporised by heating and its vapour density found, a value of 26.75 is obtained for the molecular weight, instead of 53.3 corresponding to simplest formula, NH4Cl. On examining the vapour, however, it is found to consist, not of ammonium chloride, but of ammonia gas and hydrochoric acid gas. That this is the case to a small extent at least, may be shown by heating ammonium chloride in a tube with a porous plug in it (Pebal, Lieb. Ann., 1862, 123, 199). The ammonia, being lighter than the hydrochloric acid, diffuses more rapidly through the plug than the hydrochloric acid, and consequently a piece of red litmus paper on the other side of the porous plug from the heated ammonium chloride will turn blue owing to the presence of an excess of ammonia, whereas a piece of blue litmus paper placed actually in the heated vapour, will turn red owing to a residual excess of hydrochloric acid.

On allowing the vapour to cool, the two gases recombine to form ammonium chloride once more. This is a reversible reaction and may be written

NH, Clanny, + HCl

If the vapour consisted of ammonium chloride only, then 53.5 gm. of ammonium chloride would occupy 22.4 litres. As, however, the vapour consists entirely of NH, + HCl, and 17 gm. of ammonia occupy 22.4 litres and 36.5 gm. of hydrochloric acid occupy 22.4 litres, there is

present 53.5 gm. of the gaseous mixture in a volume of 44.8 litres. Thus 22.4 litres of the mixture of gases would weigh 26.75 gm, the vapour having an apparent molecular weight of 26.75. Now this is the value obtained from a determination of the vapour density of ammonium chloride. The seemingly abnormal vapour density of ammonium chloride is thus explained by assuming that the salt is completely split up or dissociated on vaporisation. It was shown by H. B. Baker that, if the ammonium chloride was carefully dried so as to remove the last traces of moisture, dissociation was prevented and the vapour gave a normal value for its relative density corresponding to a molecular weight of 53.5.

Many examples of dissociation are known; an interest-

ing example being that of hydrogen iodide gas.

$2HI \iff H_2 + I_2$

The undissociated gas is colourless, but on heating the violet colour of iodine appears and becomes more intense on raising the temperature, while the colour becomes weaker on cooling again.

The degree of dissociation of a vapour, or the fraction of the total number of molecules dissociated under the given conditions, may be deduced in many cases from the vapour density of the substance under these conditions.

This method is not, however, applicable where there is no change in volume on dissociation. In these cases other methods have to be used, such, for example, as a colorimetric estimation of the iodine liberated on the dissociation of hydrogen iodide mentioned above. The calculation of the degree of dissociation may be made as follows. Suppose that there are N molecules present, that the degree of dissociation is α and that each molecule breaks up into α molecules on dissociation.

 $1-\alpha$ will be the proportion of undissociated molecules, and $N(1-\alpha)$ the total number of undissociated molecules, also $N\alpha x$ will be the number of molecules produced by dissociation. The total number of molecules before dissociation was N, and after dissociation

N(1-a) + Nax = N[1+a(x-1)]

From Avogadro's hypothesis:

Volume after dissociation $= \frac{N[1 + a(x-1)]}{N}$

The vapour densities are inversely proportional to the volumes. So if d is the vapour density of the undissociated substance, and Δ the observed vapour density, then

$$\frac{N[1+a(x-1)]}{N} = \frac{d}{\Delta}$$
or $d = \Delta[1+a(x-1)]$

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if the density D corresponds to complete dissociation, $D = \frac{d}{x}$; also in the case of ammonium chloride and many other cases where x = 2, $a = \frac{d - \Delta}{\Delta}$ and on complete dissociation, $D = \frac{d}{2}$ or the observed density is equal to half the density of the undissociated material which, as we have seen, is found experimentally. Similar reasoning enables us to make a quantitative study of association, or the production of more complicated, from simpler molecules.

Example. The following values were obtained for the vapour density of phosphorus pentachloride at various temperatures.

Temperature	Vapour density
182*	73-4
200°	70-0
250°	57.6
300°	52.7

Calculate the degree of dissociation at these temperatures.

The dissociation may be represented by $PCl_5 \iff PCl_3 + Cl_2$. The vapour density of the undissociated material will be $\frac{(31+5\times35\cdot5)}{2\cdot016} = 104\cdot12$. Let a be the degree of dissociation, then

1-a will be the proportion of undissociated molecules, and as 2 molecules are produced on the dissociation of each molecule of PCl₅ 2a will be the proportion of molecules formed on dissociation.

Now, by Avogadro's hypothesis, the numbers of molecules present before and after the dissociation will be proportional to the volumes of gases before and after the dissociation and hence inversely proportional to the vapour densities before and after dissociation.

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 & 2a+1-a & 104\cdot12 \\
\hline
1 & = & \Delta \\
\hline
 & a = & \frac{104\cdot12}{\Delta} - 1
\end{array}$$

Taking the values of given above

at 182°
$$a = \frac{104 \cdot 12}{73 \cdot 4} - 1 = \cdot 41$$

at 200° $a = \frac{104 \cdot 12}{70 \cdot 0} - 1 = \cdot 49$
at 250° $a = \frac{104 \cdot 12}{57 \cdot 6} - 1 = \cdot 81$
at 300° $a = \frac{104 \cdot 12}{52 \cdot 7} - 1 = \cdot 97$

PROBLEMS ON THE DEGREE OF DISSOCIATION OF GASES

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at end of the book)

(These should be worked out from first principles as in the example above and not from the general formula.)

176 Acetic acid has the empirical formula C₂H₄O₂ and at 250°C, and 760 mm, it has a vapour density of 29. At 125° the vapour density is 44.5. What information do these figures give as to the state of the molecules of acetic acid in the vapour?

177 The thermal dissociation of phosphorus pentabromide was investigated by a colorimetric study of the products of reaction. At a high temperature the colour intensity reached a maximum and a further rise in temperature had no effect. Calculate the vapour density of phosphorus pentabromide at that point.

178 Amylene hydrobromide, C₅H₁₁Br, has a vapour density of 41.5 at 340°. Calculate the degree of dissociation into amylene and hydrogen bromide at that temperature.

179 The vapour density of ammonium carbamate CO(NH₂)ONH₂ is 13. Calculate its degree of dissociation into 2NH₃ and CO₃.

- 180 The relative density of silver vapour at 1000° is 54; that of antimony at 1640° is 140 and that of bismuth at 1700° is 158 Find the atomicity of each element, and if this is fractional calculate the amounts of the two molecular forms present.
- IBI Iodine molecules, although diatomic at low temperatures, dissociate gradually on raising the temperature, eventually becoming monatomic. The densities at various temperatures are:—

at	600°	125.5
at	1030°	98.3
at	1390°	75-3
at	1500°	64.8

Determine the degree of dissociation of iodine at these temperatures and draw a graph to illustrate the dependence of degree of dissociation on temperature.

- The vapour density of mercuric sulphide is 77 at 1560°. What is the degree of dissociation, assuming sulphur to exist entirely at S₂ at that temperature? At 670° the vapour density is 85. What reason could you suggest to account for this value?
- 183 At 400° sulphur trioxide is decomposed to the extent of 2% to form the dioxide; at 700° 40% is decomposed. Calculate the vapour densities of pure sulphur trioxide, the 400° product, the 700° product, and pure sulphur dioxide.
- The following table gives the relative densities of nitrogen peroxide at various temperatures. Calculate the degree of dissociation in each case and plot a graph to show its dependence on temperature.

\mathbf{T}	Δ
26.7*	38.3
60-2*	30.1
100-1*	24.3
135.0*	23.1
140.0*	22.96

An oxygen-ozone mixture had the relative density 17.42. Find the percentage of ozone: also what would be the relative density of a mixture containing 30% of ozone?

DIFFUSION OF GASES

It is a common observation that hydrogen diffuses out of an open, inverted jar in opposition to gravity and that air enters. In 1833 Döbereiner noticed a similar phenomenon when he observed that hydrogen stored over water in a cracked flask escaped into the air, the level of water rising in the flask. Graham showed that this was due to the hydrogen diffusing out through the crack

more quickly than air diffused in. He devised an apparatus for the measurement of the rates of diffusion of gases by means of a glass tube, closed at one end by a thin plug of plaster of Paris. The tube was filled with mercury, which was displaced by hydrogen whose volume could be measured by the graduations on the tube. The level of the mercury rose in the tube and eventually reached an equilibrium when it was found that the tube contained only air. At equilibrium then, all the hydrogen had diffused out and been replaced by air, and the final volume gave the volume of air that had diffused out in the same time as the original volume of hydrogen had diffused out. The ratio of these volumes was thus the ratio of the rates of diffusion of hydrogen and air. Graham measured the rates of diffusion of many gases by means of this apparatus and he found that when he allowed gases that were heavier than air to diffuse out of his tube into the air the level of the mercury fell; in other words, gases heavier than air have smaller rates of diffusion than air. From his experimental results Graham deduced his law which states that the rate of diffusion of a gas is inversely proportional to the square root of its relative density.

 $R_1:R_2=\sqrt{d_2}:\sqrt{d_1}$

This relation is an agreement with the kinetic theory of gases, since the rate at which gases will pass through the narrow pores of the plug will be proportional to the mean velocities v_1 and v_2 of their molecules. If two gases are at the same temperature it is assumed that their kinetic energies are identical, $M_1v_1^2 = M_2v_2^2$, where M_1 and M_2 are the molecular weights of the gases,

hence $M_1 R_1^2 = M_2 R_2^2$

Now, as the molecular weight of the gas is proportional to its density,

 $d_1 R_1^2 = d_2 R_2^2$

or $R_1: R_2 = \sqrt{d_2}: \sqrt{d_1}$ The process of diffusion has been used widely by chemists. Ramsay and Travers (Proc. Roy. Soc. 1898, 52, 316) used it to separate helium from the other gases of cleveite; Soret (Ann. Chim. Phys. 1868, 13, 257) used a diffusion method to determine the formula of ozone and Pebal (see p. 63) used it to demonstrate the nature of vaporised ammonium chloride.

The following examples serve to illustrate the methods

of calculation of results of diffusion experiments.

Example 1. 100 c.c. of hydrogen were confined in a diffusion tube exposed to the air and at equilibrium a volume of 26.1 c.c. of gas was measured. 100 c.c. of carbon dioxide were now placed in this same tube and when the level of mercury became constant the volume was 123 c.c. Find the molecular weight of carbon dioxide.

100 c.c. of hydrogen diffused out in the same time as 26.1 c.c.

of air diffused in,

similarly
$$\frac{\text{rate of diffusion of carbon dioxide}}{\text{rate of diffusion of air}} = \frac{100}{123}$$

tate of diffusion of carbon dioxide
$$=$$
 $\frac{26.1}{123}$

By Graham's law, rate of diffusion of density

$$\frac{\text{density of carbon dioxide}}{\text{density of bydrogen}} = \frac{123^2}{26 \cdot 1^2} = \frac{15129}{681 \cdot 2}$$

the relative density of carbon dioxide = 21.9Molecular weight of carbon dioxide = relative density $\times 2.016$ = $21.9 \times 2.016 = 44.1$

Example 2. 100 c.c. of hydrogen were enclosed in a diffusion apparatus exposed to pure oxygen. What volume of gas was left in the apparatus when change in volume was complete?

By Graham's law,

rate of diffusion of hydrogen = $\sqrt{\text{density of oxygen}}$ rate of diffusion of exygen $\sqrt{\text{density of hydrogen}}$ $= \frac{\sqrt{16}}{\sqrt{1}} = \frac{4}{1}$

Thus hydrogen diffuses 4 times as quickly as oxygen, so that while 100 c.c. of hydrogen diffuse out, 25 c.c. of oxygen diffuse in.

PROBLEMS ON THE DIFFUSION OF GASES

(Answers to those questions with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- The rates of diffusion of oxygen and hydrogen are 0.95 and 3.83 respectively compared to the rate of diffusion of air. The normal density of air is 1.293. Find the densities of oxygen and hydrogen.
- 187 The rate of diffusion of methane is 1.34 times that of the air. The density of air is 1.293 and that of hydrogen is 0.089. Determine the molecular weight of methane.
- 188 Hydrogen iodide has the molecular formula HI and hydrogen, H₂. What are the relative rates of diffusion of these two gases?
- 189 The relative densities of ammonia and carbon dioxide are 8.5 and 22 respectively. What are the relative rates of diffusion of the two gases?
- 190 100 c.c. of oxygen diffuse through a porous vessel in a certain time; what volume of carbon monoxide would diffuse through in the same time?
- 191 If 10 c.c. of methane diffuse through compressed graphite in three minutes, how long will it take (a) 25 c.c. of ethylene and (b) 20 c.c. of acetylene to diffuse?
- 192 Taking the rate of diffusion of hydrogen as unity calculate the rates of diffusion of nitrous oxide, nitric oxide and nitrogen peroxide?
- 193 The rates of diffusion of a series of gases with respect to air are given below; use these data to confirm Graham's law.

hydrogen 3.83
methane 1.34
nitrogen 1.014
oxygen 0.950
carbon dioxide 0.812

- 194 100 c.c. of hydrogen sulphide were allowed to diffuse out of a diffusion tube into pure oxygen. When equilibrium was established 103.0 c.c. of gas remained in the tube. Using 100 c.c. of hydrogen selenide 159.1 c.c. remained; using 100 c.c of hydrogen telluride 201.0 c.c. remained. The formulæ of the three gases are H₂S, H₂Se and H₂Te: calculate the atomic weights of sulphur, selenium and tellurium.
- It was found that 67 c.c. of sulphur dioxide diffused in 5½ minutes while under the same conditions 66.8 c.c. of sulphuretted hydrogen diffused in 4 minutes. What is the ratio of the densities of these two gases?

- In experiments made by Soret on the density of ozone by the diffusion of oxygen-ozone, oxygen-chlorine and oxygen-carbon dioxide mixtures, the relative rates of diffusion of chlorine, ozone and carbon dioxide were found to be 0.227: 0.271: 0.290. Assuming the relative density of chlorine to be 35.4 and that of carbon dioxide to be 22, find the relative density and the molecular weight of ozone.
- 197 Perkins found that the relative rates of diffusion of mercury and radium emanation were 1:1.082. The atomic weight of mercury is 200.6 and it is monatomic in the vaporised condition. Calculate the molecular weight of radium emanation.
- 198 A liquid bydrocarbon had the percentage composition C 83.7%, H 16.3%. 100 c.c. of the vapour of the hydrocarbon were placed in a heated diffusion tube exposed to oxygen. On equilibrium being attained there were 164 c.c. of gas in the tube. What is the formula of the hydrocarbon?
- 199 A certain compound has the percentage composition C 53.33%, H 15.55%, N 31.11%. 100 c.c. of this same gaseous compound, when placed in a diffusion apparatus exposed to the air, diminished in volume to 79.8 c.c. at equilibrium. Find the molecular formula of the compound.
- Two hydrides of silicon are found to have relative rates of diffusion 1:1.39. The lighter gas when passed through a red hot tube deposited 87.6% of its weight as silicon and 100 c.c. of the hydride yielded 200 c.c. of hydrogen. Determine the molecular weights of the two gases.
- 201 A gaseous organic compound contains 38.71% C, 16.13% II and 45.16% N. Its rate of diffusion is 0.254 times that of hydrogen. What is the molecular formula of the compound?
- 202 The relative rates of diffusion of arsenic and xenon are .360: .387. Xenon is known to be a monatomic gas. What is the atomicity of arsenic?
- Sulphur vapour at 500° diffuses at .577 times the rate of sulphur dioxide at the same temperature. At 860° it diffuses at the same rate as the dioxide. Assuming sulphur dioxide to exist as SO₂ at both these temperatures, determine the molecular weight and formula of sulphur under both these conditions.
- 204 100 c.c. of nitrogen peroxide were placed in a diffusion apparatus surrounded by a steam jacket and exposed to the air. At equilibrium it was found that there were 130 c.c. of air in the tube; calculate the degree of dissociation of N₂O₄ at 100°C.

205 50 c.c. of sulphur trioxide were placed in a diffusion apparatus heated to 700° and open to the air. At equilibrium 75.75 c.c. of air were in the tube. Determine the composition of the equilibrium mixture of 2SO₃ ⇔ 2SO₂ + O₂ at this temperature.

CHAPTER IV.

ATOMIC WEIGHTS

ATOMIC WEIGHT, EQUIVALENT AND VALENCY

As has been discussed in Chapter II, it is an essential feature of the atomic theory that the atoms of any one element are equal in weight and characterised by that weight. The atomic weight of an element is not, in general, the same as its equivalent weight—as follows from the fact, expressed by the law of multiple proportions, that one atom of an element A may combine with two or more atoms of an element B. Since, however, elements unite in simple proportions by atoms, it follows that the atomic weight and equivalent of an element are connected by the relationship:-

Atomic Weight Equivalent Weight = a whole number, termed the valency.

Further, in the case of hydrogen, the equivalent weight is the same as the atomic weight (1.008), i.e., the valency of hydrogen = 1. Hence, for other elements, the valency is equal to the number of hydrogen atoms combined with (or replaced by) one atom of the element.

Thus, in arsine AsH, 1 atom of arsenic is combined

with 3 atoms of hydrogen.

... valency of arsenic is 3.

Example. What is the valency of phosphorus in phosphorus pentoxide, P.O.?

Since 1 atom of oxygen unites with 2 atoms hydrogen

(forming H2O).

, ,

... valency of oxygen = 2 2 atoms of phosphorus combine with 5 atoms of oxygen, which are equivalent to 10 atoms of hydrogen.

.. valency of phosphorus = 5.

An element may exhibit more than one stage of valency. Thus iron has a valency of two in ferrous salts (e.g., FeCl₂), the equivalent being 27.92, and a valency of three in ferric salts (e.g., FeCl₃), the equivalent being 18.61. As the elements are classified in the Periodic Table (q.v.), the number of the group in which an element occurs gives at once the highest valency shown by the element—that exhibited in its highest oxide or fluoride. Thus sulphur, in Group VI, shows its highest valency, six, in SO₃ and SF₆; osmium, a Group VIII element, can have a valency of eight, as is the case in OsO₄ and OsF₆. For a full treatment of the significance of this fact, and for a proper discussion of the periodic classification, the student is referred to textbooks of general chemistry.

By chemical means, the combining weight, or equivalent of an element may be determined; for the determination of the atomic weight, a knowledge of the valency is also required, i.e., a knowledge of which multiple of the equivalent weight is to be accepted as the atomic weight. The principal methods of fixing the value of the atomic weight, given a knowledge of the equivalent, may now be

considered.

CANNIZZARO'S "ABSOLUTE" METHOD

This method of fixing the true values of the atomic weights, advanced by Cannizzaro in 1858, involves as its only assumption the truth of Avogadro's hypothesis, now well established, and it may accordingly be considered an "absolute" method. Prior to 1858, Avogadro's hypothesis had remained unaccepted for nearly fifty years. Atomic weights rested upon an essentially arbitrary basis, different values being accepted by different chemists (e.g., oxygen = either 8 or 16). In consequence, there were no consistent grounds for the assignment of formulæ, water, for example, being variously written HO or H₂O according to the scale of atomic weights chosen. The placing of atomic weights and chemical formulæ upon a logical and consistent footing may be largely

attributed to Cannizzaro's advocacy of Avogadro's

hypothesis.

It has been shown in the previous chapter that acceptance of Avogadro's hypothesis enables the molecular weight of volatile compounds to be calculated from their vapour densities. If, now, a series of volatile compounds of some one element be considered, the percentage compositions of which are known, then the weight of the element present in one molecule of each of the series of its compounds may be found. From the atomic theory, one molecule of a compound contains one, or two, or some whole number of atoms of the element, never a fractional number. The weight of the element present in one molecule of each of the compounds represents, then, the weight of one or two or some other whole number of atoms of the element. The weight of one atom, then, is the highest common factor of the weights present in the various compounds considered.

This may be illustrated for the case of carbon. For a series of volatile carbon compounds the following data

are found :-

	V.D.	Mol. Wt.	% C.	C in molecule
Carbon dioxide	22	44	27.3	12
Methane	8	1.6	75.0	12
Ethane	15	30	80.0	$24 = 2 \times 12$
Acetone	29	58	62-1	$36 = 3 \times 12$
Ethyl acetate	44	88	54.5	$48 = 4 \times 12$
Pyridine	39.5	79	76.0	$60 = 5 \times 12$
Benzene	39	78	92.3	$72 = 6 \times 12$

i.e., every compound contains either 12 parts or some multiple of 12 parts by weight of carbon in one molecule. No compounds are known containing, say 42, or any amount not a multiple of 12 parts of carbon in the molecule. Hence 12 is to be adopted as representing the atomic weight of carbon.

It is plain that the application of this method of fixing atomic weights is limited to those elements which form a number of volatile compounds—i.e., to the non-metals. For purposes of calculation, however, where the number of atoms of the element present in the molecule of one of

its volatile compounds may be assumed to be known, the atomic weight may be derived from its equivalent weight and the vapour density of one of its compounds.

Example. Antimony chloride contains 53.03% of its weight of antimony, and has a vapour density of 114. If there is but one atom of antimony in the molecule of antimony chloride, what is the atomic weight of antimony?

First find the equivalent.

46.97 gm. chlorine unite with 53.03 gm. antimony

35.46 ,, ,,
$$\frac{85.46}{46.97} \times 53.03$$
 gm. antimony

equivalent of antimony = 40.01

Hence the atomic weight of antimony = $40.01 \times n$.

the formula of the chloride = $SbCl_n$, since it contains 1 atom of antimony, n being the valency.

Since the vapour density of the chloride = 114

: the molecular weight = 228

Weight of antimony in the molecule = 0.53 x 228 = 121

valency =
$$\frac{\text{approx. atomic weight}}{\text{equivalent weight}} = \frac{121}{40}$$

s.e., the valency = 8

true atomic weight = $3 \times 40.01 = 120.03$.

Formula of the chloride = SbCl₃.

THE RULE OF DULONG AND PETIT

It was found by Dulong and Petit in 1819 that for elements in the solid state, the product of the atomic weight and the specific heat was about the same for all the elements examined. This product is termed the atomic heat.

						Atomic Weight	Specific Heat	Atomic Heat
*7	Lithium					6.94	0.9408	6.53
	Aluminiu	m				27.03	0.2143	5.81
	-					55.84	0.1098	6.12
56	~					63.57	0.0923	5.88
63.57						107.9	0.0559	6.03
100	Cald	• • •	• • • •			197-2	0.0304	6.25
197	Lead	• • •	***			207-2	0.0315	6.52
201	Uranium	• • •	***	***		238.5	0.0277	6.61
	Otamum				***	2000		

It may be seen from the table that the atomic heat is, in fact, roughly constant, even for elements differing in atomic weight as much as lithium and uranium. The value 6.4 is usually adopted as representing a mean value for this "constant." Four elements, however, form exceptions to this rule of the constancy of the atomic heat, viz.:—

				Atom:	ic Weight	Atomic Heat
Carbon (e	dian	puou)	 ***	12	1.35
Beryllium	1	***	***	 	9	8.4
Boron	***		***	 	11	2.8
Silicon	***		***	 	28.3	4.8

It must be realised that the specific heat of any element varies with the temperature at which it is measured, although for most elements the temperature coefficient is small. The four elements whose atomic heats are anomalous, however, are found also to show a large variation of specific heat with temperature. Thus the specific heat of boron changes from 0.191 at -40° to 0.366 at 223°; that of carbon (in the form of diamond) changes from 0.113 at 10° to 0.462 at 1000°. The atomic heats measured at elevated temperatures tend to approach steady values, and are found to be of the same order as for the elements conforming to Dulong and Petit's rule:

e.g., for carbon at 1000°, atomic heat =	5.55
beryllium at 500°	5.61
boron at 300°	4.5
silicon at 230°	5.68

As the temperature is raised, the anomaly shown by these four elements as compared with the majority of the elements disappears. In an exactly similar way, the specific heats of all elements begin to decrease rapidly at low temperatures, and measurements of the atomic heats of the normal elements at very low temperatures show amongst themselves divergences as great as those exhibited by carbon, beryllium, boron and silicon at room temperature.

In general, therefore,

atomic weight x specific heat = 6.4 approximately

i.e., $\frac{6.4}{\text{specific heat}} = \text{approximate atomic weight.}$

An approximate value for the atomic weight may, there-

fore, be obtained from a knowledge of the specific heat, and that multiple of the equivalent then selected which approximates to this figure.

Example. 2.1461 gm. cobalt oxide gave on reduction 1.6868 gm. of cobalt. If the specific heat of cobalt is 0.103, what value does this experiment give for the atomic weight of cobalt?

Since 2.1461 gm. of cobalt oxide contain 1.6868 gm. of cobalt,

0.4593 gm. of oxygen combine with 1.6868 gm. of cobalt

.. 8 gm. ,,
$$\frac{8.000}{0.4593} \times 1.6868$$
 gm. of cobalt

= 29.37 gm. of cobalt = 29.37

: equivalent of cobalt = 29.3 : atomic weight of cobalt 29.37 × n

By Dulong and Petit's rule, the approximate atomic weight is $\frac{6\cdot 4}{0\cdot 103} = 62$

Since $29.37 \times n = \text{roughly } 62, i.e., n = 2$.

i.e., the true atomic weight = 58.74

Application of Dulong and Petit's rule actually proved of value in fixing the correct atomic weight of indium. The equivalent weight of indium was found to be 37.8. From certain similarities of its chemical properties to those of zinc, it was at first considered that indium was bivalent, giving 75.6 as the atomic weight. The specific heat of the metal was subsequently found to be 0.057, so that the atomic weight should be about 112. Indium must therefore actually be trivalent, with the atomic weight $3 \times 37.8 = 113.4$, a conclusion justified by the later study of its chemical properties.

MITSCHERLICH'S LAW OF ISOMORPHISM

The work of Hauy at the beginning of the nineteenth century established the fact that the crystalline form of any substance is characteristic of that substance, and, as was at first considered, peculiar to it. By crystalline form is meant, not the appearance of the crystal, since the relative development of different sets of faces may be greatly in-

fluenced by the conditions under which the crystal grows, but the symmetry of the crystal and the size of the interfacial angles. Mitscherlich observed in 1818 that different compounds—the phosphates and arsenates potassium and ammonium—could possess the crystalline form. Such substances he termed isomorphous, and from his study of the phenomenon he enunciated the law that the same number of atoms, united in the same kind of way, produce the same crystalline form; i.e., if two compounds are isomorphous, they may be represented by similar formulæ. Thus, the first isomorphous pairs investigated by him were KH₂AsO₄; (NH₄)₂HPO₄ $(NH_4)_2HAsO_4;$ and and NaH, PO, H, O and NaH, AsO, H, O, in each of which the sole difference between the two members is the replacement of one phosphorus atom by one arsenic atom.

Many series of isomorphous compounds are now

known. Potassium alum, for example,

 $K_2SO_4.Al_2(SO_4)_3.24H_2O_7$

is a member of the group of so-called "alums," all of which may be expressed by the general formula $M_2^{ISO_4}M_2^{III}(SO_4)_3.24H_2O$, where M^{II} may be any of the metals Na, K, (NH₄), Rb, Cs, or Tl, and where M^{III} may be Al, Cr, Mn, Fe, or Tl. The double sulphates of the type of $K_2SO_4.CoSO_4.6H_2O$ form another large group of isomorphous salts. Potassium may be replaced by other univalent metals, cobalt by other divalent metals, and even the sulphate radical replaced by the selenate radical. Numerous isomorphous series, illustrating Mitscherlich's law, are found amongst minerals. In each, the general type of formula is the same, the crystalline form being unaltered by substitution of one atom by another. Such isomorphous minerals are:—

Calcite CaCO,
Dolomite (Ca,Mg)CO,
Chalybite FeCO,
Dialogite MnCO,
Aragonite CaCO,
Strontianite SrCO,
Witherite BaCO,
Cerussite PbCO,
Cerussite PbCO,

Isodimorphism. As may be seen from the above table of isomorphous minerals, calcium carbonate can crystallise in two distinct forms: trigonal calcite and rhombic

aragonite. Such a substance is termed dimorphous. Arsenious oxide may similarly crystallise either as octahedral or as rhombic crystals, which are each isomorphous with octahedral and rhombic forms respectively of antimony trioxide. Arsenious oxide and antimony trioxide are accordingly said to be isodimorphous. In a similar way, stannic oxide, SnO₂, and titanium dioxide, TiO₂, are isotrimorphous.

CRITERIA OF ISOMORPHISM

Accurate measurement shows that the interfacial angles of isomorphous crystals are not rigidly identical, but differ within narrow limits for different members of a series. In the double sulphates referred to above, the value of a particular interfacial angle varies from 69° 40' in the case of Cs₂SO₄.MgSO₄.6H₂O to 74° 58' K₂SO₄.CuSO₄.6H₂O—a range of over 2° between the extremes. Isomorphous substances are therefore not identical, but only closely similar in their crystalline form. Moreover, certain cases are known where compounds are similar in crystalline form, but do not conform to Mitscherlich's law of analogous formulæ, and so cannot be considered as strictly isomorphous. Such is the case with galena, PbS and argentite Ag2S. It is therefore necessary to seek other criteria to define isomorphism accurately; two further indications of isomorphism have been proposed.

(1) Isomorphous substances should form a complete range of mixed crystals or solid solutions, containing from 100% of one constituent to 100% of the other, and the physical properties of the crystals formed—colour, density, refractive index, etc.—should be an unbroken

linear function of the composition.

(2) Isomorphous overgrowths should be formed when one crystal is placed in a saturated solution of the other isomorph. Thus the violet octahedral crystals of chrome alum continue to grow, and become coated with a colourless layer of potassium aluminium alum when they are placed in a saturated solution of that salt.

THE APPLICATION OF THE LAW TO THE DETERMINATION OF ATOMIC WEIGHTS

(1) The examples of isomorphous compounds cited above show that isomorphism implies atom-for-atom replacement of one element by another. If then, two isomorphous compounds be considered, one consisting of elements of known atomic weight, the other containing an element of unknown atomic weight, the latter may be compared directly with that of the element it replaces.

Example. Potassium sulphate and selenate are isomorphous, and have the compositions K 44.83%, O 36.78%, S 18.39%; and K 35.29%, O 28.96%, Se 35.75% respectively. What is the atomic weight of selenium?

First, find the weight of selenium combined with 44.83 parts

by weight of potassium =
$$\frac{44.83}{35.29} \times 35.75$$
 parts

= 45.40 parts

hence, 45.40 parts of Se replace 18.39 parts of S, being combined with 44.83 parts of potassium in the two salts.

Since the compounds are isomorphous,

1 atom of Se replaces 1 atom of S

: atomic weight of selenium =
$$\frac{45.40 \times 32.07}{18.39} = 79.1$$

(2) Comparison of the compounds of an element, the atomic weight and valency of which are known, with the isomorphous compounds of an "unknown" element indicates the valency of the latter. From a determination of the equivalent, it is then possible to deduce the atomic weight.

Example. Radium bromide is isomorphous with barium bromide, BaBr, 2H,O. Thorpe found the equivalent of radium to be 113.3. What is its atomic weight?

Since radium bromide and barium bromide are isomorphous, radium bromide is RaBr₂.2H₂O.

.. radium is bivalent.

... atomic weight of radium = $2 \times \text{equivalent}$ weight. = $2 \times 113.3 = 226.6$.

THE ACCURATE DETERMINATION OF ATOMIC WEIGHTS

It must be clearly understood that the methods discussed above, based upon vapour density determinations, Dulong and Petit's rule, and isomorphism, serve only to fix the magnitude of the atomic weight of an element. Accurate atomic weights may, indeed, be calculated in certain cases from gas density data (e.g., determinations of the atomic weight of nitrogen from the density of nitrogen and of nitric oxide, cf. Rayleigh, Proc. Roy. Soc., 1894, 55, 340), but in general an accurate value for the chemical equivalent must be determined gravi-

metrically.

Since the days of Stas, much attention has been paid to the refinement of atomic weight determinations. The direct methods of equivalent determination described in Chapter I do not, in most cases, lend themselves to sufficient accuracy for atomic weight purposes. As a result of much experience, especially of the painstaking classical researches of T. W. Richards at Harvard, it has been found that the compounds most generally suited for use in atomic weight determinations are the chlorides and bromides of the elements, which may in most cases be prepared in a state of absolute purity, and which lend themselves to accurate manipulation. The method most frequently used, accordingly, is the determination of the weight of silver halide obtainable from a known weight of the chloride or bromide in question. Then, the atomic weights of silver and of chlorine or bromine being known, the equivalent of the element may be calculated.

Example. Richards and Rogers found that 59.98 parts by weight of zinc bromide yielded 100 parts of silver bromide on treatment with silver nitrate. Calculate the atomic weight of zinc, if Ag = 107.9, Br = 79.92. Zinc is known to be

hivalent.

Since zinc is bivalent, zinc bromide has the formula ZnBr2. The reaction 19

 $ZnBr_2+2AgNO_3 = 2AgBr+Zn(NO_3)_2$ i.e., 1 molecule of ZnBr2 yields 2 molecules of AgBr. \therefore (Zn+2×79·92) parts of ZnBr₂ yield 2×(107·9+79 92) parts of AgBr.

Weight of
$$ZnBr_2 = \frac{Zn + 159 \cdot 84}{375 \cdot 6} = \frac{59 \cdot 96}{100 \cdot 0}$$
. from the data.

$$\therefore Zn = \frac{59 \cdot 96 \times 375 \cdot 6}{100} - 159 \cdot 84$$

$$= 65 \cdot 38.$$

The application of such a method presupposes a knowledge of the atomic weights of silver and chlorine or bromine. This, in turn, involves a very accurate knowledge of (a) the composition of silver chloride and silver bromide, and (b) the combining weight of silver relative to oxygen, since O = 16 is the standard relative to which atomic weights are measured.

The compositions of silver chloride and of silver bromide are known with great accuracy. Not only have direct determinations been made of the weight of silver chloride and silver bromide formed from a known weight of silver, but in atomic weight determinations by analysis of chlorides or bromides, the quantity of silver required to react is frequently determined in addition to the amount of halide formed, so that the "cross-ratio" AgBr/Ag or AgCl/Ag so obtained forms a check on the accuracy of the determination. The work of Richards and Wells (J.A.C.S., 1905, 27, 517) may profitably be read as illustrative of the technique and precautions involved in the most accurate work.

Since the standard of atomic weights is the weight of the oxygen atom, while the most frequently adopted method of atomic weight determination measures atomic weights directly relative to silver, the determination of the accurate atomic weight of silver is of the highest importance. Any error attending this value will be involved in all other determinations. Two general ways are available by which the atomic weight of silver may be found. The amount of silver in salts rich in oxygen—silver nitrate or silver sulphate—may be found, and the ratios AgNO₃/Ag, Ag₂SO₄/2Ag so found may be then combined with independent data for the atomic weight of the third element—e.g., with the atomic weight of nitrogen as determined from gas density determinations. Such a

method mevitably involves a multiplication of errors, and a more direct method is desirable.

Stas sought to achieve this by using iodates and chlorates, but the substances proved to be unsuited to the Richards and Willard converted most accurate work. lithium chloride to lithium perchlorate, obtaining the ratio LiClO₄/ LiCl, i.e., 4 O/ LiCl. A determination of the amount of silver chloride obtained from a known weight of lithium chloride then gave the ratio LiCl/ Ag, which on combination with the other gives the ratio of the weight of four atoms of oxygen to the weight of one atom of silver:---

$$\frac{4 \text{ O}}{\text{LiCl}} \times \frac{\text{LiCl}}{\text{Ag}} = \frac{4 \text{ O}}{\text{Ag}}$$

The most accurate direct determination of the atomic weight of silver, relative to oxygen, is that of O. Honigschmid and R. Sachtleben (Zeit. anorg. Chem., 1929, 178, 1), which illustrates the most modern refinements of experimental work of this kind. Barium perchlorate was converted to barium chloride by heating in hydrogen chloride, and the amount of silver required to react with the barium chloride then determined. Then,

Loss in weight of the Ba(ClO₄)₂ = Weight of 4 atoms of oxygen
Weight of silver required Weight of 1 atom of silver Thus, in their experiments, 51-83992 gm. of barium perchlorate yielded 32·10713 gm. of barium chloride (i.e., lost 19.73279 gm. of oxygen), which reacted with 33.26223 gm. of silver.

$$\frac{Ag}{4O} = \frac{33 \cdot 26223}{19 \cdot 73279} = 1 \cdot 68563$$
$$= 1 \cdot 68563 \times 64 \cdot 000 = 107 \cdot 880.$$

 $\therefore Ag = 1.68563 \times 64.000 = 107.880.$

THE INTERRELATION OF THE ATOMIC WEIGHTS

The determinations discussed in the last section are The accepted actually determinations of equivalents. atomic weights of the elements, and the formulæ of their compounds have been fixed by the application of the

methods outlined in this chapter. Cannizzaro's absolute method forms the ultimate basis of the values assigned to the non-metals, which form volatile compounds—H, B, C, N. O, F, P, S, Cl, Br. The other elements are linked up with these (a) by considerations of isomorphism. Thus K_2SO_4 , K_2SeO_4 , and K_2CrO_4 are isomorphous, as are also $KClO_4$ and $KMnO_4$. Thus the true atomic weights of Se, Cr, Mn may be fixed. But Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Cd form isomorphous sulphates, as also do Cr, Fe, Al, Tl. Thus these elements in turn have their valency established. Extension of such reasoning includes almost all the elements.

(b) The values obtained by the application of the law of isomorphism serve to confirm the approximate validity of the rule of Dulong and Petit, which may then be employed to fix the magnitude of the atomic weight of any elements not established beyond doubt by considerations of isomorphism.

PROBLEMS ON ATOMIC WEIGHT DETERMINATIONS

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

The following atomic weights may be assumed where necessary

$$Ag = 107.88$$
 $Cl = 35.46$ $Br = 79.92$ $N = 14.00$ $S = 32.07$

- 206 2.327 gm. of a metal yielded 8.578 gm. of its bromide. Calculate the equivalent of the metal, and its atomic weight if the specific heat = 0.055.
- 207 0.4257 gm. of the chloride of a metal leave on strong ignition a residue of the metal weighing 0.2760 gm. The specific heat of the metal = 0.0328. What is its atomic weight?
- A sample of a metallic oxide containing 2.7 gm. of the metal, gave up all its oxygen on heating, the volume liberated being 140 c.c. at N.T.P. Find the equivalent of the metal, and its atomic weight if the specific heat is 0.058.
- On dissolving 0.444 gm. of a metal, of specific heat 0.107, in acid, 177 c.c. of hydrogen were liberated, measured dry at 10° and 750 mm. Find the atomic weight of the metal.

- 210 1.62 gm. of a metal were heated in a current of oxygen. 3.06 gm. of oxide were obtained. Calculate the equivalent of the metal, and its atomic weight if the specific heat is 0.218.
- 11.334 gm. of lithium chloride gave on evaporation with nitric acid 2.169 gm. of lithium nitrate. The specific heat of lithium is 0.941. Calculate its atomic weight, assuming that Cl = 35.46, N = 14.00 when O = 16.
- 212 1.9166 gm. of copper oxide gave on reduction 1.5298 gm. of copper. If the specific heat of copper = 0.0923, find its atomic weight.
- 3.7707 gm. of bismuth bromide, when dissolved in water and treated with silver nitrate, yielded 4.7432 gm. of silver bromide. The specific heat of bismuth is 0.0305. What is its atomic weight, and what is the formula of its bromide?
- 3.6263 gm. of silver, dissolved in nitric acid to form silver nitrate, were required to precipitate completely the chlorine in 4.6724 gm. of lead chloride. Find the atomic weight of lead, if the specific heat = 0.0315.
- Baxter found that 3.559 gm. of ferrous bromide gave 6.199 gm. of silver bromide on treatment with silver nitrate. Calculate the atomic weight of iron, given that its specific heat is 0.1098.
- 216 The specific heat of uranium is 0.0277. 1.800 gm. of uranium bromide required 1.392 gm. of silver for precipitation. Calculate the atomic weight of uranium.
- 217 3.5834 gm. of potassium platinichloride gave on heating in hydrogen 1.1001 gm. of potassium chloride and 1.4372 gm. of platinum. The specific heat of platinum is 0.0324. What is its atomic weight?
- 218 1.7210 gm. of samarium sulphate (anhydrous) yielded on ignition 1.0195 gm. of the corresponding oxide. The specific heat of samarium is about 0.04. Determine its atomic weight.
- 219 31.7 gm. of zinc were dissolved in sulphuric acid, and the hydrogen evolved was burned to form water. 8.671 gm. of water were obtained. If the specific heat of zinc is 0.094, what value does this experiment give for the atomic weight?
- 220 Marignac found that 1.8680 gm. of magnesium oxide were converted by heating with sulphuric acid to 5.5715 gm. of anhydrous magnesium sulphate. The specific heat of magnesium is 0.25. Find the atomic weight of magnesium.
- 221 Sodium hydrogen arsenate is isomorphous with sodium hydrogen phosphate, Na₂HPO₄.12H₂O. Analysis shows that it contains 18.64% of arsenic. Calculate the atomic weight of arsenic.

- 222 Sodium metaphosphate, NaPO₃, and sodium metavanadate are isomorphous. 4.856 gm. of sodium metavanadate, when heated in a stream of chlorine+hydrogen chloride, left a residue of 2.828 gm. of sodium chloride. Find the atomic weight of vanadium.
- Potassium chromate and potassium sulphate are isomorphous. 6.567 gm. of silver chromate, when treated with hydrochloric acid, yielded 5.674 gm. of silver chloride. It is known that silver chromate contains no water of crystallisation. What is the atomic weight of chromium?
- 224 Thallous sulphate forms with cobalt sulphate a double salt isomorphous with ferrous ammonium sulphate, FeSO₄. (NH₄)₂SO₄.6H₂O. If thallous sulphate contains 80.95% of thallium, what is the atomic weight of thallium?
- 225 The salts of cæsium are isomorphous with the corresponding potassium salts. 3.3333 gm, of cæsium nitrate were heated with pure silica, thereby expelling N₂O₅. The loss in weight amounted to 0.9242 gm. What is the atomic weight of cæsium?
- 226 Cadmium sulphate and zinc sulphate are isomorphous, 6.754 gm. of anhydrous cadmium bromide were treated with silver nitrate. 9.318 gm. of silver bromide were obtained. Find the atomic weight of cadmium.
- 227 Naturally occurring strontium sulphate, celestine, is isomorphous with anhydrite, anhydrous calcium sulphate. Thorpe and Francis found that 5.305 gm. of strontium sulphate could be obtained from 7.146 gm. of anhydrous strontium bromide. Calculate the atomic weight of strontium.
- 228 Gallium sulphate and ammonium sulphate form a double salt isomorphous with ordinary alum. 3.1044 gm. of this salt left on ignition 0.5885 gm. of gallium oxide. Deduce from these data the atomic weight of gallium.
- Native titanium oxide, rutile, is isomorphous with native stannic oxide, cassiterite. By the decomposition of 6.569 gm, of titanium chloride with water, and ignition of the product, 2.770 gm. of titanium oxide were obtained. Calculate the atomic weight of titanium.
- 230 Potassium perrhenate is isomorphous with potassium permanganate. If silver perrhenate contains 30-12% of silver, calculate the atomic weight of rhenium.
- When 1.599 gm. of silver selenite were heated in hydrogen chloride, 1.336 gm. of silver chloride were obtained. Find the atomic weight of selenium, knowing that potassium selenite is isomorphous with potassium sulphite.

- 232 Potassium manganate, a compound isomorphous with potassium sulphate, contains 27.86% of manganese. Find the atomic weight of manganese.
- 233 Potassium perruthenate is isomorphous with potassium perchlorate. It contains 50.15% of ruthenium. What is the atomic weight of ruthenium?
- 234 Rubidium salts and potassium salts are isomorphous. 2.000 gm. of rubidium chloride gave 2.371 gm. of silver chloride when the solution was treated with silver nitrate. Calculate the equivalent weight and atomic weight of rubidium.
- 235 Anglesite, native lead sulphate, and barytes, native barium sulphate BaSO, are isomorphous. Stas found that pure lead sulphate contained 68.29% of lead. Calculate the atomic weight of lead.
- V36 A metallic chloride contains 45.6% of the metal, and its vapour density is 130. If the molecule of the chloride contains only one atom of the metal, find its atomic weight and the formula of the chloride.
- 237 Baker and Bennett found that tellurium bromide contained 28.52% of tellurium. Its vapour density is 223. Find the atomic weight of tellurium, stating any assumptions involved.
- 1.771 gm. of zirconium chloride, of vapour density 116, were hydrolysed by water and treated with silver nitrate, 4.349 gm. of silver chloride were obtained. Find the equivalent weight and the atomic weight of zirconium, assuming the presence of one atom of metal in the molecule of the chloride.
- By reduction of 10.433 gm. of tungsten chloride, 4.837 gm. of tungsten were obtained. The vapour density of the chloride was found to be nearly 200, and the molecule is known to contain only one atom of tungsten. Find the formula of the chloride and the atomic weight of the metal.
- It was found that 355 c.c. of boron chloride vapour weighed 1.679 gm. at 25° and 750 mm. 8.089 gm. of the compound required 22.38 gm. of silver for complete precipitation. Calculate the atomic weight and the equivalent weight of boron.
- 341 0.836 gm. of titanium chloride, vaporised in a Victor Meyer apparatus, displaced 103.1 c.c. dry air at 17° and 771 mm. pressure. 4.201 gm. of the chloride, treated with water and silver nitrate, gave 12.68 gm. of silver chloride. Find the atomic weight of titanium.
- The weight of 1 litre of arsenic hydride at 0° and 760 mm. is 3.480 gm. 7.660 gm. of arsenic chloride reacted with the silver nitrate derived from 13.686 gm. of silver. Find the atomic weight of arsenic.

- 1 gm. of an element gave on calcination 1.32 gm. of solid oxide. 100 c.c. of the gaseous hydride, collected over mercury in a tube closed by a porous plug and exposed to the air, changed in volume until a final steady volume of 164 c.c. was attained. What is the molecular weight of the hydride, and the atomic weight of the metal, if the molecule of the hydride contains one atom of the metal?
- By the hydrolysis of 7.164 gm. of silicon chloride and ignition of the product, 2.536 gm. of silicon oxide were obtained. The simplest hydride of silicon has a rate of diffusion 1.165 times that of carbon dioxide. Determine the atomic weight of silicon.
- Winkler found that germanium chloride contained 66.17% of chlorine. 60.5 c.c. germanium hydride diffuse through an aperture in the same time as 100 c.c. of nitrogen (under similar conditions of temperature and pressure). The molecule of the hydride contains one atom of germanium. Calculate the atomic weight of germanium.

CHAPTER V

ELECTROLYSIS AND THE IONIC THEORY: MOLECULAR WEIGHT OF DISSOLVED SUBSTANCES

ELECTROLYSIS

The solutions in water of acids, bases and salts, possess the property of conducting electricity, a property not possessed by pure water, by solutions of neutral substances (e.g., cane sugar) or even by substances such as

liquid hydrogen chloride.

The conduction of electricity through solutions differs, however, from conduction through metals in that the passage of the current is attended by the decomposition of the dissolved substance. If an electric current be passed through a solution of copper sulphate, copper is deposited upon the electrode connected to the negative terminal of the battery, at which the current leaves the solution (the cathode), while oxygen is evolved at the positive electrode (the anode). If the anode is made of copper, instead of oxygen being given off, copper is dissolved from the material of the electrode. The operation is known as electrolysis, and substances whose solutions conduct electricity are termed electrolytes. Solutions of salts in certain solvents other than water, and fused salts are also electrolytes. It is found that the metallic constituent of a salt, or hydrogen in the case of an acid, is always liberated at the cathode; the acidic constituent is correspondingly liberated at the anode, although the actual products isolated may result from the reaction of the direct products of electrolysis with water. electrolysis of sodium hydroxide solution yields hydrogen and oxygen as actual products, both of which are really the result of secondary reactions with the water (see below, p. 93). The oxygen liberated at the anode in the electrolysis of copper sulphate arises similarly, and is accompanied by the formation of sulphuric acid around the electrode.

FARADAY'S LAWS OF ELECTROLYSIS

Investigation of the phenomena of electrolysis by Faraday led to the discovery of two laws relating the amount of chemical action effected to the quantity of

electricity passed through the solution.

For the same electrolyte, the amount of chemical action—i.e., the amount of the products liberated at the electrodes—is directly proportional to the quantity of electricity passed, and is independent of the temperature, the strength of the current, the concentration of the solution, or any other variable factor. The passage of one coulomb (amount of electricity in coulombs = current in ampères x time of flow in seconds) through a solution of silver nitrate causes the deposition of 0.0011183 gm. of silver at the cathode: the passage of 20 coulombs therefore deposits $20 \times 0.0011183 = 0.022366$ gm., of 2,000 coulombs 2.2366 gm. of silver, etc.

This direct proportionality between electrolytic action and quantity of electricity passed is applied to the accurate measurement of electricity by determination, for example, of the weight of silver deposited on the cathode of a silver voltameter, or sometimes of iodine liberated at the anode of an iodine voltameter. On a large scale, the method is employed in "electrolysis meters," where the volume of mercury deposited, at a constant, known supply voltage, forms a measure of the power consumption. The liberation of other substances—copper, hydrogen, etc., may also be employed, but the iodine and silver voltameters are susceptible of the most accurate results.

Example. An electric current was passed for 25 minutes through a silver voltameter. It was found that 0.1795 gm. of silver were deposited. What was the mean value of the current?

First, find the quantity of electricity passed.

1 coulomb deposits 0.001118 gm. of silver

 \therefore 0.1795 gm. is deposited by $\frac{0.1795}{0.001118}$ coulombs = 160.5 coulombs

Hence, 160.5 coulombs pass in 25 x 60 seconds

i.e., mean current = $\frac{160.5}{25 \times 60}$ ampères = 0.107 amp.

The relation between the quantities of different substances deposited by the same amount of electricity is given by Faraday's second law. If a number of cells containing different electrolytes are connected in series, so that the same current flows through each, the amounts of the different products liberated by electrolysis are found to be proportional to their chemical equivalents. If the current is passed through solutions of silver nitrate, copper sulphate, dilute sulphuric acid, gold chloride, and potassium iodide, 0.1079 gm. of silver (0.001 gram equivalents) being deposited in the silver voltameter, it is found that in the other cells, 0.0318 gm. of copper, 0.00101 gm. of hydrogen, 0.0080 gm. of oxygen, 0.0657 gm. of gold and 0.1269 gm. of iodine are liberated, i.e., 0.001 gram-equivalents in each case.

It has already been stated that 1 coulomb deposits 0.0011183 gm. of silver. 1 gram-equivalent would there-

fore be deposited by $\frac{107.88}{0.0011183}$ coulombs, = 96,500

coulombs. This quantity is termed one faraday. The amount of any substance liberated by the passage of 1 coulomb is known as the electrochemical equivalent. Faraday's second law may be re-stated: the electrochemical equivalent of any substance is proportional to its chemical equivalent. One gram equivalent of a substance is liberated by the passage of one faraday.

Example 1. 500 coulombs of electricity are passed through a solution of stannic chloride, SnCl. What weight

of tin is deposited on the cathode?

The chemical equivalent of tin = $\frac{118.7}{4}$ = 29.7

i.e., 96,500 coulombs deposit 29.7 gm. of tin

 $\frac{29.7 \times 500}{96, 500} \text{ gm.} = 0.1508 \text{ gm.}$

Example 2. 0.1978 gm. of copper were deposited by a current of 0.2 amps. in 50 minutes. What is the electrochemical equivalent of copper?

Quantity of electricity passed = $0.2 \times 50 \times 60$ coulombs

= 600 coulombs

Hence 600 coulombs deposit 0.1978 gm. of copper

 \therefore 1 coulomb deposits $\frac{0.1978}{600}$ gm. = 0.0003296 gm. of copper.

THE IONIC HYPOTHESIS

The facts of electrolytic conduction and of electrolysis are explained by supposing that when an electrolyte is dissolved in water it dissociates to some extent into particles, termed ions, bearing equal and opposite charges of elec-On the application of an electromotive force, the ions move through the solution towards the electrodes, the positively charged ions moving to the cathode, the negatively charged ions towards the anode. The ions thus serve as the carriers of the current through the solution, and on reaching the electrodes they are discharged, and are set free as neutral chemical entities. Since the metallic radical of an electrolyte is always liberated at the cathode, it follows that the metallic ions and hydrogen ion bear a positive charge, the acid radical ions being negatively charged. In a solution of silver nitrate, therefore, a portion of the salt is dissociated into positively charged Ag' ions and negatively charged NO, ions:---

$AgNO_{s} \iff Ag' + NO_{s'}$

On electrolysis, the Ag' ions (called cations since they move to the cathode) move towards and are discharged at the cathode, silver being deposited. An equivalent quantity of NO₃' anions is similarly discharged at the anode. The neutral NO₃ radical is, however, incapable of an independent existence, and so does not appear as such, but reacts with water:—

$2NO_3 + H_2O = HNO_3 + \frac{1}{2}O_2$

Oxygen is therefore liberated at the anode as a secondary product of electrolysis. If, however the material of the anode is readily attacked by the nascent

acid radical—e.g., a silver anode—reaction occurs between them: $NO_3 + Ag = AgNO_3$, silver nitrate being

continuously re-formed in the solution.

Taking the positive or negative charge borne by a univalent ion such as Ag' or NO₃' as a unit, it is plain that since two NO₃ groups unite with one atom of copper to form the neutral molecule of copper nitrate Cu(NO₃)₂, the copper ion formed on dissociation must be doubly charged. In general, the number of unit charges borne by an ion is the same as the ordinary valency of the radical giving rise to it. The chemical properties of solutions of electrolytes are governed by the ions they contain: their reactions are reactions between ions. The similarity in properties between acids is due to the fact that all acids yield the hydrogen ion as their positive ion on dissociation. Bases similarly have the negative OH' ion in common.

Experiment shows that electrolysis commences immediately a potential difference is applied. No time appears to be required to bring about dissociation on the application of an electric field. Further, Ohm's law holds exactly for electrolytes, so that no work is expended on pulling apart the components of the molecules. On these and other grounds it is held that electrolytes are already dissociated in solution to a large degree, and that dissociation is not first brought about by the passage of the electric current. This view is supported by molecular weight determinations on solutions of electrolytes (see below), which indicate that in a solution of e.g., sodium chloride, nearly twice as many particles are present as would be present if the solution contained only undissociated molecules of NaCl.

PROBLEMS ON ELECTROLYSIS

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

Cells containing solutions of mercurous nitrate and cadmium sulphate respectively are connected in series with a silver voltameter. What weight of mercury and cadmium would be deposited by a quantity of electricity sufficient to deposit 0.375 gm. of silver?

- 247 1.250 gm. of copper are deposited on the cathode of a copper voltameter. What weight of iodine would be liberated at the anode of a cell filled with potassium iodide connected in series? If the anode of the latter were made of zinc, what weight of zinc would be dissolved?
- What weight of gold would be deposited by the electrolysis of auric chloride solution (AuCl₃), when 2.5 litres of hydrogen (measured dry at N.T.P.) were liberated at the cathode of a cell, filled with dilute caustic soda, placed in series?
- 249 What weight of silver would be deposited per hour by the passage of a current of 0-12 ampère through a solution of silver nitrate?
- 250 What volume of electrolytic gas, collected over water at 17° and 755 mm., would be generated in the course of 3 hours by a current of 0.353 amp.?
- 251 A current of 0.250 amp, is passed for 45 mins, through an acid solution of cuprous chloride. What weight of copper is deposited on the cathode? If a copper anode is used, what is its loss in weight?
- 252 What quantity of electricity is required for the deposition of 3.088 gm. of tin from a solution of stannic chloride?
- 253 In the course of 12 hrs. electrolysis, 4.8 gm. of silver were deposited on the cathode of a silver voltameter. Calculate the mean value of the current.
- 254 0-635 gm. of iodine was liberated at the anode of an iodine voltameter during 2 hrs. 40 mins. Calculate the mean current during that period.
- 255 1.186 gm. of copper were deposited by the electrolysis of a solution of copper sulphate by a current of 0.25 amp. in 4 hrs. Calculate the electrochemical equivalent of copper.
- A silver voltameter was connected in series with a cell containing an acid solution of antimony chloride. 0.880 gm. of antimony were deposited at the cathode of the latter, and 2.370 gm. of silver in the former. Find the electrochemical equivalent of antimony. The electrochemical equivalent of silver is 0.001118 gm. coulomb.
- 257 0.1744 gm. of platinum were deposited in 50 mins. by a current of 0.115 amp. Find the electrochemical equivalent of platinum.

THE CONDUCTIVITY OF ELECTROLYTES

For a description of the experimental methods involved in the determination of the conductivity of electrolytes, the student is referred to text-books of general chemistry. The resistance of a solution between platinum electrodes a sq. cm. in area, l cm. apart is measured. The observed

resistance $R = r \times \frac{l}{a} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \times \frac{l}{a}$, where r = the specific resist-

ance of the solution, or $\kappa = \frac{1}{r}$ = the specific conductivity,

i.e., the conductivity of the solution between the faces of a cell 1 sq. cm. in area, 1 cm. apart. The quantity l/a is called the cell-constant, and may be found for any particular cell by determining its resistance when filled with a solution of accurately known specific conductivity—e.g., N/50 KCl (see footnote p. 97).

The conductivity of a solution is decreased when the solution is diluted, since fewer ions are present in unit volume to carry the current. If no new ions were produced by dilution, the conductivity should vary inversely as the concentration. It is found, however, that the conductivity does not decrease as rapidly as concentration. Accordingly, it is of importance to know the value of the

ratio Concentration for different concentrations. This

may be expressed κV , where V is the dilution (= 1/concentration) i.e., the volume of solution, containing either one gram equivalent or one gram molecule of solute. In the former case, expressing V in c.c., $\Lambda_v = V_e \times \kappa$ is the equivalent conductivity of the solution. This would be the conductivity of that volume of solution containing one gram equivalent of electrolyte if placed between parallel electrodes 1 cm. apart, so that all the ions produced by the dissociation of one gram equivalent (at that concentration) were operative in carrying the current. the molecular conductivity $\mu_o = \kappa \times V_m$, where V_m is the volume of solution in cubic centimetres, containing one gram molecule of dissolved substance. For electrolytes of the type of KCl, the equivalent weight and molecular weight of which are the same, Λ_v and μ_v are identical. In the case of electrolytes such as H2SO4 or CaCl2, the equivalent weights are half the molecular weights,* so

that in this case $\mu_v = 2 \times \Lambda_v$.

It is found that Λ (or μ) increases with dilution, indicating that as the solution becomes more dilute, ionisation takes place to an increasingly greater extent. The increase does not proceed indefinitely, but the values of Λ , approach asymptotically a definite value for each electrolyte (Λ_{∞} , the equivalent conductivity at infinite dilution), as is shown for KCl in the table.

Concentration		
gm, equiv, per litre	Dilution	Λ
1.0	1	98.27
0-2	5	107-96
0.02	50	119.96
0.005	200	124.41
0.001	1000	127.34
0.0005	2000	128-11
0.0002	5000	128.77
0.0001	10000	129.07

If the above values are plotted, they are seen to approach asymptotically a value of about $130 \cdot 11 = \Lambda_{\infty}$. This limiting value, Λ_{∞} , may be taken as the equivalent conductivity of a solution in which the electrolyte is completely ionised. For any finite dilution V, the ratio $\frac{\Lambda_{\infty}}{\Lambda_{\infty}} = a$ is a measure of the degree of dissociation at that dilution.

Example. What is the degree of dissociation of potassium chloride in N/60 solution?

From the above table, the equivalent conductivity of a 0.02N solution = 119.96.

$$\therefore a = \frac{\Lambda_v}{\Lambda_{\infty}} = \frac{119.96}{130.11} = 92.2\%$$

^{*}Cf. the chapter on volumetric analysis (p. 110) for a consideration of the equivalent weights of compounds. A solution containing 1 gram equivalent in 1 litre is termed a normal (N) solution; a solution containing 1 gram equivalent in 50 litres is termed a fiftieth-normal (N/50) solution, etc.

It is of importance to note that the value found for the degree of ionisation found in this way agrees with that calculated from other data. It will be seen in the next section that the osmotic pressure, the elevation of the boiling point and the depression of the freezing point of a solution depend on the number of molecules of the solute present. If, in a solution, the proportion a of the dissolved salt is dissociated, each molecule giving rise to n ions, there are now present for each gram-molecule of salt, 1-a gm. mols. of undissociated salt and na gram ions, =1+(n-1)a=i gram molecules instead of one. The value of i found from electrical conductivity measurements agrees with that found from molecular weight determinations, e.g., for 0.14N KCl,

i from osmotic pressure = 1.81. i from conductivity data = 1.86.

It may be said that all salts, the strong acids (e.g., HCl, HNO₃) and the strong bases (e.g., NaOH) are very highly dissociated in solution. The so-called weak acids and bases, such as acetic acid and ammonia respectively,

An alternative view, which has become increasingly popular among chemists in recent years, is that a salt in solution is completely ionised at all concentrations, but that the freedom of the ions to travel through the solution increases with dilution, becoming complete at infinite dilution. Since we know that in the crystalline state salts are completely ionised, it is probable that the same is true in strong solutions. Moreover, many facts not in accord with Arrhenius' theory may be quantitatively accounted for. The simple theory, while not strictly true, affords a convenient means of making calculations concerning many properties of dilute solutions.

PROBLEMS ON THE CONDUCTIVITY OF ELECTROLYTES

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- 258 The resistance of a conductivity cell with electrodes 1.64 sq. cm. in area, 0.85 cm. apart is 5.03 ohms when the cell is filled with a normal solution of potassium bromide. Calculate the specific and molecular conductivities of potassium bromide at that dilution.
- 259 A conductivity cell has electrodes 2.00 sq. cm. in area, 1 cm. apart. Filled with 5% potassium chloride, it has a resistance of 7.25 ohms. Calculate the equivalent conductivity of the potassium chloride.
- The resistance of a conductivity cell filled with 0.01 N silver nitrate is 901 ohms. The electrodes are 1.2 cm. in diameter, 1.1 cm. apart. Calculate the equivalent and the molecular conductivity of 0.01 N silver nitrate.
- 261 The resistance of a conductivity cell filled with N/50 KCl at 18° is 17.6 ohms. Filled with N/10 acetic acid the resistance is 91.8 ohms. If the specific conductivity of N/50 KCl at 18° is 2.399 x 10⁻³ mhos, find the equivalent conductivity of N/10 acetic acid.
- A conductivity cell containing N/100 copper sulphate (1 molecule CuSO₄ = 2 equivalents) had a resistance of 754 ohms at 18°. The equivalent conductivity of N/50 potassium chloride is 119.9 at 18°, and the resistance of the cell filled with N/50 KCl is 225.1 ohms. What are the equivalent and the molecular conductivities of 0.01 N copper sulphate?
- The specific conductivity of N/100 KCl at 18° is 1.224×10-3 ohms. A cell filled with N/100 KCl has a resistance of 152 ohms. Filled with N/1000 CaCl₂ the resistance is 1640 ohms. Find the equivalent conductivity of N/1000 calcium chloride.
- 264 The specific conductivity of sodium chloride at 18° varies with concentration as follows:—

Conductivity $74.4 \times 10^{-3} 9.25 \times 10^{-3} 1.028 \times 10^{-3}$ Concentration (in gm. mols. per litre) 1.0 0.1 0.01

Conductivity 1.078×10-4 1.097×10-5 Concentration 0.001 0.0001

Show by a curve the variation with concentration of (a) specific conductivity, (b) equivalent conductivity, (c) degree of ionisation, if Λ_{∞} 111-8.

- The conductivity of dichloracetic acid at 25° varies with dilution in litres as shown:—

 Conductivity × 10³ 57·4 37·9 23·8 14·48 8·54 4·84 2·65 1·40 Dilution

 2 4 8 16 32 64 128 256 Λ_∞ 385. Calculate the degree of ionisation at each of the above dilutions, and plot graphically the variation of a and Λ_{**}.
- What is the value of an electrolytic resistance, with electrodes 18 mm. in diameter, 65 cm. apart, filled with a 1% solution of sodium chloride, for which $\Lambda = 99$?

OSMOTIC PRESSURE

If vessels containing two different gases are placed in communication with one another, diffusion occurs until the gases are uniformly mixed. The same process takes place in solutions. If a layer of water is superimposed on a strong solution of copper sulphate, diffusion proceeds until the whole is uniformly coloured, i.e., perfectly homogeneous. Certain membranes-animal membranes, membranes of copper serrocyanide deposited in the pores of unglazed earthenware, etc .- are freely permeable to water, but do not permit the passage of dissolved substances. If now a solution of some substance be separated from the solvent by such a semi-permeable membrane, the solvent alone diffuses through, tending to produce uniformity of composition on both sides by diluting the solution indefinitely. If the indefinite dilution of the solution is hindered—by the action of gravity, or by enclosing the solution, the pressure on the solution side of the membrane rises, until at a definite limiting The phenomenon is value equilibrium is established. known as osmosis, the pressure developed is the osmotic pressure of the solution.

It was found by Pfesser that the osmotic pressure of solutions varied directly with the concentration of the dissolved substance (i.e., inversely with the dilution), and was directly proportional to the absolute temperature. If V is the volume of solution containing one gram mole-

cule of solute $(=\frac{1}{c})$ then it follows that the osmotic

pressure of a solution is connected with the dilution and the absolute temperature by the expression

$$\frac{P V}{T} = K$$

This bears a formal analogy to the gas law, and it is further found that the constant K has approximately the same value for all solvents and all dissolved substances, this value being nearly the same as the gas constant R.

Example. Pfeffer found that a 1% solution of cane sugar (molecular weight 342) had at 0° osmotic pressure of 49.3 cm. of mercury. Determine the value of K.

Here V, the volume containing 1 gram molecule = 34200 c.c.

P, the osmotic pressure = 49.3×13.6 gm./sq. cm.

T = 273°.

Hence
$$K = \frac{PV}{T} = \frac{49.3 \times 13.6 \times 34,200}{273} = 83,900$$
 gm. cm. units.

This is nearly the same as the gas constant, R, 84,760 units.

Hence it may be said that the osmotic pressure exerted by any substance in solution is the same as it would exert if it were present as a gas in the same volume as that occupied by the solution, and at the same temperature.

Solutions having the same osmotic pressure are termed isotonic solutions. It follows from the above that isotonic solutions are equimolecular, i.e., contain in the same volume quantities of different substances in the ratio of their molecular weights.

DETERMINATION OF MOLECULAR WEIGHTS FROM OSMOTIC PRESSURE

1 gram molecule of a gas occupies at 0°C. and 76 cm. pressure a volume of 22.4 litres. Applying the relation considered above, one gram molecule of any substance, dissolved in 22.4 litres of solution would exert at 0° an osmotic pressure of 76 cm. Hence, knowing the concentration of a solution by weight, and its osmotic pressure, the molecular weight of the solute may be calculated.

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Example. A 1% solution of glycerol has an osmotic pressure of 2.65 atmospheres at 15°. What is the molecular weight of glycerol?

1000 c.c. of solution contain 10 gm. glycerol

i.e., 10 gm. glycerol, at 15° and under 2.65 atmos. occupy 1000 c.c.

i.e., 10 gm. glycerol at 0° and 1 atmo. occupy $\frac{273}{288} \times 2.65 \times 1000$

But 1 gm. mol. at 0° and 1 atmo. occupies 22,400 c.c.

Weight of glycerol in 22,400 c.c. = $\frac{133,400}{2510} \times 10$ gm.

= 1 gram molecule.

.. molecular weight = 89.

MOLECULAR WEIGHTS FROM ISOTONIC SOLUTIONS

Molecular weights may also be found by preparing isotonic solutions, one of the substance in question, and one of a substance of known molecular weight. Certain natural cells—plant cells and blood corpuscles—the walls of which are semi-permeable membranes, shrink when placed in solutions of higher osmotic pressure, and swell in solutions of lower osmotic pressure. Such cells have been utilised, notably by De Vries and Hamberger, for the investigation of isotonic solutions. Solutions in which the cells neither shrink nor swell, i.e., solutions which are really isotonic with the cell contents, are isotonic with one another.

Example. A solution of urea containing 3.55 gm. per litre is isotonic with a 2% cane sugar solution. Find the molecular weight of urea.

Since the solutions are isotonic, their molecular concentra-

A 2% cane sugar solution contains 20 gm. per litre

$$=\frac{20}{342}$$
 gm. molecules.

: the urea solution contains $\frac{20}{342}$ gm. molecules per litre.

i.i. gm, mols. of urea weigh 3-55 gm.

: molecular weight =
$$\frac{20}{342} \times 3.55 = 60.8$$
 (molecular weight from formula 60)

In the case of electrolytes, the osmotic pressure is i times that calculated for the undissociated molecule,

where i has the meaning given above (p. 98).

It should be remarked that osmotic pressure measurements are rarely sufficiently accurate for the practical determination of molecular weights.

PROBLEMS ON OSMOTIC PRESSURE

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- 267 What would be the osmotic pressure at 15°C. of a 1% solution of glucose (C₆H₁₂O₆)?
- A 1% solution of potassium chloride is dissociated to the extent of 82% What would be its osmotic pressure at 18°?
- A solution of glycol containing 1.82 gm. per litre has an osmotic pressure of 51.8 cm. at 10°. What is the molecular weight of glycol?
- 270 Find the molecular weight of a compound, a 1% solution of which has an osmotic pressure of 118 cms. at 12°C.
- If a solution of mercuric cyanide containing 1.5 gm. per litre has an osmotic pressure of 116 mm. at 25°, what is the apparent molecular weight and the degree of dissociation of mercuric cyanide?
- 272 What would be the concentration of a solution of sucrose isotonic with a solution of urea (CON2H4) containing 2.5 gm. per litre?
- 273 A solution containing 1.57 gm. of lithium chloride per litre is isotonic with a solution containing 12.2 gm. of glucose (C6H12O6) per litre. Calculate the degree of dissociation of the lithium chloride.
- 274 Solutions containing 20 gm, of sucrose (C₁₂H₂₂O₁₁) per litre and 1.63 gm. of boric acid in 450 c.c. respectively are isotonic. Find the molecular weight of boric acid.
- 275 Find the molecular weight of a certain sugar, a solution of which containing 3.5 gm. per litre is isotonic with a solution of urea (CON₂H₄) containing 0.5 gm. in 357 c.c.

DETERMINATION OF MOLECULAR WEIGHT FROM THE DEPRESSION OF THE FREEZING POINT

The freezing point of solutions is lower than that of the corresponding pure solvent. Raoult (1887) discovered that for any one solvent,

- (a) the depression of the freezing point by a particular dissolved substance was proportional to the concentration of the solute.
- (b) solutions of different substances of the same molecular concentration had the same freezing point, e.g., solutions of 3.42 gm. of sucrose or of 0.60 gm. of urea in 100 gm. of water both have their freezing point depressed by 0.185°; the molecular weights being 342 and 60 respectively.

The depression of the freezing point which would be brought about by dissolving one gram molecule of substance in 100 gm. of solvent is termed the molecular

depression constant per 100 gm. of solvent.

Molecular depression constants. {

Water 18.5°

Benzene 51.2°

Acetic acid 38.5°

Consider the case in which w gm. of a substance of molecular weight M are dissolved in 100 gm. of solvent. The depression constant for the solvent is K, and the observed depression is f^* .

M gm. of solute in 100 gm. would give a depression of

Hence w gm. in 100 gm. would give a depression of

 $\frac{w}{M} \times K^* = f^*$, the observed depression.

i.e., $M = \frac{w}{f} \times K$

Example. It was found that the solution of 0.2735 gm. of hydrogen peroxide in 19.86 gm. of water lowered the freezing point 0.746°. Calculate the molecular weight of hydrogen peroxide.

100 gm. of water contain $\frac{100}{19.86} \times 0.2735$ gm. hydrogen peroxide

i.e., $\frac{100}{19.86} \times 0.2735$ gm. of hydrogen peroxide in 100 gm. of water cause 0.746° depression

 $\frac{100}{19.86} \times 0.2735 \times \frac{18.5}{0.746}$ gm. hydrogen peroxide would cause a depression of 18.5°

Molecular weight = $\frac{100}{19.86} \times 0.2735 \times \frac{18.5}{0.746} = 34.3$

DETERMINATION OF DEGREE OF DISSOCIA-TION OR ASSOCIATION FROM THE DEPRESSION OF THE FREEZING POINT

If a dissolved substance is dissociated in solution to the degree a, each molecule forming n ions, it has been shown that the number of gram molecules resulting from each gram molecule of solute taken = 1 + (n-1)a. The depression of the freezing point is proportional to the number of gram molecules in unit volume, so that if d_0 = the observed freezing point depression, and d_1 = the depression if no dissociation occurred,

$$d_0 = (1 + (n-1)a) \times d_1$$

Hence,

 $\frac{\text{molecular weight for no dissociation}}{\text{observed molecular weight}} = 1 + (n-1)\alpha = i$

Example. The freezing point of a solution of 0.3015 gm. of silver nitrate in 28.40 gm. of water is depressed by 0.212°. To what extent is the silver nitrate dissociated?

100 gm. of water contain $\frac{100}{28\cdot40} \times 0.3015$ gm. of AgNO₃

 $\frac{100}{28\cdot40}$ × 0·3015 gm. AgNO₃ in 100 gm. of water give a depression of 0·212*

 $\frac{100}{28\cdot40} \times 0.3015 \times \frac{18\cdot5}{0\cdot212} \text{gm. of AgNO}_3 \text{ in 100 gm. of water would}$ give a depression of 18.5°

$$\therefore \text{ apparent molecular weight} = \frac{100}{28 \cdot 40} \times 0.3015 \times \frac{18.5}{0.212}$$
$$= 93.15.$$

Molecular weight of undissociated AgNO₃ = 169.9

From the formula above, $\frac{169.9}{93.15} = 1 + (n-1)a$

For AgNO₃ n=2.

$$\frac{169.9}{93.15} - 1 = 0.826$$

i.e., the silver nitrate is 82.6% dissociated.

Certain substances have the converse property of associating in solution. An example of this type is benzoic acid, C₇H₆O₂, which in solution in benzene associates to some extent to double molecules (C₇H₆O₂)₂. If

n molecules of the simple substance associate to form each larger molecule, and if a fraction x be associated, in place of each gram molecule of original solute there are

(1-x) gm. mols. unassociated and $\frac{x}{n}$ gram molecules of

associated substance, i.e., $1-x(1-\frac{1}{n})$ gm. mols. altogether.

Hence observed freezing point depression.

freezing point depression for no association

=
$$1-x(1-\frac{1}{n})$$
. i.e., Mol. wt. for single mols. = $1-x(1-\frac{1}{n})$

Example. Phenol, C.H.O, associates in water to double molecules. A solution of 0.6677 gm. of phenol in 35.5 gm. of water has a freezing point depression of 0.215°. Find the degree of association of the phenol.

Substituting in the formula $M = \frac{w}{l} \times K$

Apparent molecular weight = $\frac{100}{35.50} \times 0.6677 \times \frac{18.5}{0.215} = 162.6$

Mol. wt. of simple molecules
$$=$$
 $\frac{94}{162 \cdot 6} = 1 - x(1 - \frac{1}{4})$, Observed mol. wt. $=$ $=$ $=$ 2.

 $i.e., \frac{1}{2}x = 1 - 0.578$

or $x = 2 \times 0.422 = 0.844$

Hence the phenol is 84.4% associated.

PROBLEMS ON THE DETERMINATION OF MOLE-CULAR WEIGHTS BY THE DEPRESSION OF THE FREEZING POINT

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- The solution of 0.2257 gm. of sulphur chloride in 23.7 gm. of benzene brought about a freezing point depression of 0.362°. Calculate the molecular weight of sulphur chloride.
- A solution of 1.353 gm. of sulphur in 67 gm. of naphthalene has its freezing point lowered 0.542°. The depression constant of naphthalene is 69° per 100 gm. Of how many atoms of sulphur is the sulphur molecule composed?

- A freezing point depression of 0.567° is brought about when 0.440 gm. of anthracene is dissolved in 22.2 gm. of benzene. Find the molecular weight of anthracene.
- 279 The freezing point lowering of a solution of 0.508 gm. of tellurium tetrabromide in 37.5 gm. of glacial acetic acid was 0.116°. Calculate the molecular weight of the compound.
- 280 If the solution of 1.07 gm. of silver nitrate in 100 gm. of water has its freezing point depressed 0.211°, calculate the degree of dissociation of the silver nitrate.
- 281 A solution of 0.453 gm. of calcium chloride in 25 c.c. of water has its freezing point depressed 0.808°. Calculate the factor i and the degree of ionisation of the calcium chloride.
- A freezing point depression of 0.470° is produced by the solution of 0.218 gm. of potassium chloride in 21 c.c. of water. Find the degree of ionisation of the potassium chloride.
- Phenol associates in benzene to double molecules. The solution of 1 gm, of phenol in 50 gm, of benzene has its freezing point depressed 0.690°. To what degree is the phenol associated?
- 284 If the solution of 0.197 gm. of camphor (C₁₀H₁₆O) in 20 gm, of solvent has its freezing point depressed by 0.332°, what is the depression constant for the solvent used?

DETERMINATION OF MOLECULAR WEIGHTS BY THE ELEVATION OF THE BOILING POINT

The effect of dissolved substances is to raise the boiling point of a solution above that of the pure solvent. Both elevation of the boiling point and depression of the freezing point are actually the consequences of the action of the solute in lowering the vapour pressure of the solvent, and accordingly are governed by the same laws. Exactly as for freezing point depression, Raoult found that for any given solute, the boiling point elevation is proportional to the concentration of the solution, and for any one solvent the boiling point elevation is the same for equimolecular solutions of different solutes. determination of boiling point elevation is attended with greater difficulties than is the measurement of freezing point depression, and is probably less frequently employed in consequence. In particular, it is difficult to determine the true temperature of the boiling solution,

and not that of condensing vapour, and at the same time to avoid superheating. For the various modifications of procedure employed in the Beckmann, Cottrell and Landsberger methods the student is referred elsewhere.

As in the case of freezing point depression, for each solvent a molecular boiling point elevation per 100 gm. of solvent is recorded, being the elevation in boiling point which would be produced by dissolving one gram molecule of substance in 100 gm. of solvent. Since the boiling point of a liquid varies markedly with the barometric pressure, the molecular elevation constant varies slightly also. Unless otherwise stated, all values refer to determinations at 760 mm. pressure.

If the molecular elevation constant = K', and a solution contains w gm. of solute of molecular weight M per 100 gm. of solvent, the boiling point elevation

$$e = \frac{w}{m} \times K'$$
. i.e., $M = \frac{w}{e} \times K'$.

For some frequently used solvents, the elevation constants are:

water 5.2°
benzene 26.1°
chloroform 39.0°
acetone 17.2°

Example. A solution of 0.5143 gm. of anthracene in 35.0 gm. of chloroform has its boiling point raised by 0.323°. Calculate the molecular weight of anthracene.

Weight of anthracene in 100 gm. of chloroform

$$=\frac{100}{35.0}\times0.5143$$
 gm.

An elevation of 0.323° is produced by $\frac{100}{35.0} \times 0.5143$ gm. of

anthracene in 100 gm.

$$\frac{100}{35.0} \times 0.5143 \times \frac{39}{0.323}$$
 gm.

= 177.4 gm. in 100 gm. chloroform. ... molecular weight = 177.4. (calculated from the formula, 178).

PROBLEMS ON THE DETERMINATION OF MOLE-CULAR WEIGHTS BY THE ELEVATION OF THE BOILING POINT

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

In all cases, the figures refer to determinations at 760 mm. barometric pressure.

- 285 The solution of 2.78 gm. of benzophenone in 55.6 gm. of acetone had its boiling point raised by 0.472°. Find the molecular weight of benzophenone.
- 286 A boiling point elevation of 0.483° was shown by the solution of 0.97 gm. of a hydrocarbon in 31.6 gm. of benzene. Calculate the molecular weight of the hydrocarbon.
- 287 By dissolving 0.517 gm. of nitrogen sulphide in 36.5 gm. of chloroform, the boiling point was raised 0.300°. Nitrogen sulphide contains 69.5% sulphur, 30.5% nitrogen. Find the molecular formula of the compound.
- 288 A boiling point elevation of 0.059° was produced by dissolving 0.1235 gm. of chromium carbonyl in 24.1 gm. of benzene. What is the molecular weight of chromium carbonyl?
- 289 If the boiling point of water was raised 0.071° by dissolving 2.35 gm. of sucrose (C₁₂H₂₂O₁₁) in 50 gm., calculate the molecular elevation constant for water.
- 290 The molecule of iodine contains two atoms. If the boiling point of a solution of 2.06 gm. of iodine in 30.14 gm. of ether was raised 0.566*, calculate the elevation constant per 100 gm. of ether.

CHAPTER VI

VOLUMETRIC ANALYSIS

THE EQUIVALENT WEIGHTS OF COMPOUNDS

The concept of the equivalent weights of compounds originated in a study of the formation of salts by the neutralisation of acids by bases and, as early as 1767, Cavendish termed those weights of potash and marble that neutralised the same weight of acid, equivalent.

The equivalent weight of a metallic element has been defined as that weight which will liberate 1.008 gm. of hydrogen from an acid. It is immaterial what acid is used, but the weight of acid which contains the 1.008 gm. of hydrogen capable of being replaced by a metal will be different with different acids. Thus 36.46 gm. of hydrochloric acid and 63.01 gm. of nitric acid each contain the equivalent weight of hydrogen replaceable by an equivalent weight of a metal. It is legitimate, therefore, to regard 36.46 and 63.01 as the equivalent weights of hydrochloric and nitric acid respectively. Again, when an equivalent weight (36.46) of hydrochloric acid is treated with a metal (e.g., zinc), an equivalent weight of hydrogen is evolved and an equivalent weight of zinc chloride (35.46 + 32.69 = 68.15) formed, by replacing the hydrogen by an equivalent weight of zinc (32.69).

The equivalent of a simple compound such as a hydride, an oxide or a chloride may be defined as that weight of the compound that contains an equivalent of reactive hydrogen (1.008), an equivalent of oxygen (8) or

an equivalent of chlorine (35.46).

The equivalent weight of an acid is that weight which contains one equivalent of hydrogen replaceable by a metal (or which gives rise to one equivalent weight of hydrogen ion); the equivalent of a base is that weight which will neutralise one equivalent of an acid (or which gives rise to one equivalent weight of hydroxyl ion).

The equivalents of more complicated compounds may be found by a study of their formulæ, or of an equation which represents their reaction with some compound of known equivalent weight. Take, for example, sodium carbonate, Na₂CO₃. The formula indicates that the compound is formed from the acid H2CO, by replacement of the two hydrogen atoms by sodium. The equivalent of the acid would be, by definition, that weight which contained one equivalent weight of replaceable hydrogen (i.e., half the molecular weight); similarly the equivalent of the salt will be that weight which contains one equivalent of sodium (or half its molecular weight). The same conclusion will be reached by considering the reaction:- $Na_2CO_3 + 2HCl = 2NaCl + CO_2 + H_2O$. One molecular weight of the carbonate reacts with two molecular weights of hydrochloric acid, that is to say, with two equivalents of hydrochloric acid; hence half the molecular weight of the carbonate will be its equivalent weight, as that is the weight which reacts with one equivalent of hydrochloric acid.

The equivalents of compounds reacting in such a way as to cause a change in valency in one of the essential elements concerned are determined by considering the change in valency. For example, in the reaction:—

the equivalent of phosphorus trichloride is half its molecular weight, as one molecular weight of the compound reacts with two equivalents of chlorine. It is the change in valency (in this case from 3 to 5) that determines the equivalent, and not the absolute value of the valency. In such reactions where there is a change in valency, the equivalent of the reacting compound is defined as that weight which undergoes a unit valency change. Thus in the example above, one molecule of PCl₃ has a change of valency = 2, therefore half a molecular weight will have a unit valency change and so the equivalent is half the molecular weight. Similarly in the case of the oxidation of ferrous compounds to ferric compounds:—

2FeO + O→Fe₂O₃

ferrous iron has valency = 2, ferric iron = 3, the change in valency per molecule being therefore one; the equivalent is thus the same as the molecular weight. (For application of this, see p. 124).*

NORMAL SOLUTIONS

Consider the equation:—

NaOH + HCl = NaCl + H₂O.

It follows that 40 gm. of caustic soda neutralise 36.5 gm. of hydrochloric acid. Now, if we dissolved the 40 gm. of caustic soda in water so as to make up a litre of solution, and diluted the hydrochloric acid to one litre, we should find that the litre of acid exactly neutralised the litre of alkali, or that 1 c.c. of the acid neutralised 1 c.c. of the alkali. Such a solution which contains one gram equivalent weight of a substance in one litre of solution is known as a normal solution.

A given volume of a normal solution of any acid will neutralise the same volume of a normal solution of any alkali, as the given volume of normal solution, whether acid or alkali, will always contain the same fraction of an equivalent of acid or alkali. Thus 20 c.c. of normal caustic soda solution will neutralise, or will be equivalent to (\equiv) 20 c.c. of normal HNO₃ (written N HNO₃), 20 c.c. N H₂SO₄, 20 c.c. N H₃PO₄ or 20 c.c. of any other

N acid.

In the equation: $2NaOH + H_2SO_4 = Na_2SO_4 + 2H_2O_7$

 $(2 \times 40 = 80)$ 98 it will be seen that 2×40 gm., or two litres of normal solution of caustic soda will neutralise one molecular weight (98 gm.) of sulphuric acid. One equivalent

^{*} Note that the equivalent of any substance can be defined only with respect to the particular reaction under consideration.

weight (40 gm.) or one litre of normal solution of caustic soda will thus neutralise $\frac{98}{2} = 49$ gm. of sulphuric acid.

A normal solution of sulphuric acid will therefore contain 49 gm. per litre, which, as we would expect from the definition, is the equivalent weight of the acid, as there are two atoms of replaceable hydrogen in its molecule.

The equivalent weight (which contains 1 equivalent of replaceable hydrogen) of a dibasic acid is thus half its molecular weight (which contains 2 equivalents of replaceable hydrogen); the equivalent weight of a monobasic acid (e.g., HCl in the equation above) is the same as its molecular weight and the equivalent weight of a tribasic acid is one-third of its molecular weight. It is convenient to remember, too, that the equivalent weight of any base will be its molecular weight divided by the number of hydroxyl groups it contains.

Thus:—

the equivalent weight of KOH =
$$\frac{39+16+1}{1}$$
 = 56
the equivalent weight of Ba(OH), = $\frac{137\cdot5+(2\times17)}{2}$ = 85.75
the equivalent weight of Al(OH), = $\frac{27+(3\times17)}{3}$ = 26

For many analytical purposes normal solutions are too concentrated, so decinormal (N/10) solutions which contain a tenth of an equivalent weight per litre are often used. Other solutions, occasionally employed, are seminormal (N/2) solutions, containing half an equivalent weight per litre and centinormal N/100 solutions that contain one-hundredth of an equivalent weight per litre. The volumes of any of these solutions that react with one another should now be quite clearly understood, e.g.,

1 litre N HCl \equiv 1 litre N NaOH \equiv 1 litre N H,SO, 10 c.c. N/10 HCl \equiv 10 c.c. N/10 NaOH \equiv 1 c.c. N H,SO, 100 c.c. N/100 HCl \equiv 10 c.c. N/10 NaOH \equiv 1 c.c. N H,SO, 50 c.c. N/50 HCl \equiv 1 c.c. N NaOH \equiv 2 c.c. N/2 H,SO,

This is the basis of volumetric analysis, in which solutions of known normality are made to react with solutions of unknown concentration, the volume of the solution of known concentration required to react with a definite volume of the solution of unknown strength being determined. The ratio of the reacting volumes thus gives the concentration of the unknown solution in terms of that

of known normality.

In practice the solutions used in volumetric analysis are seldom exactly N, exactly N/10, etc. It is quite unnecessary to make them so, a small factor being placed before the normality sign to indicate the deviation from strict normality (or from decinormality, etc.). Thus a solution of NaOH labelled 1.018 N, contains 1.018 equivalents of NaOH per litre = 1.018×40 gm. Similarly a .973 N/10 solution will contain .0973 equivalents per litre; in general a solution of strength x N contains x equivalents per litre.

10 c.c. of a $\cdot 93$ N solution $\equiv \cdot 93 \times 10 = 9 \cdot 3$ c.c. of N solution 100 c.c. of a $1 \cdot 14$ N/10 solution $\equiv 1 \cdot 14 \times 100 = 114$ c.c. of N/10 solution.

Example. What is the concentration in grams per litre of a .97 N/10 solution of (a) caustic potash and (b) barium hydroxide; also how many c.c. of 1.1 N HCl will 20 c.c. of either of these solutions neutralise?

- (i) a .97 N/10 solution contains 0.097 gram equivalents per litre = 0.097 x the equivalent weight per litre.
- (a) caustic potash (KOH) contains 1 OH group

 ∴ equivalent weight = 39+16+1

 I = 56
- (b) barium hydroxide (Ba(OH)₂) contains 2 OH groups
 ∴ equivalent weight = $\frac{137 \cdot 5 + (2 \times 17)}{2} = 85 \cdot 75$

... concentration of KOH solution is $0.097 \times 56 = 5.43$ grams per litre and concentration of Ba(OH)₂ solution is $0.097 \times 85.75 = 8.32$ grams per litre.

(ii) 20 c.c. of .97 $N/10 = 20 \times .97$ c.c. = 19.4 c.c. N/10 solution $= \frac{19.4}{10}$ c.c. N/10 solution

$$= \frac{19.4}{10 \times 1.1}$$
 c.c. 1.1 N solution
= 1.76 c.c.

NEUTRALISATION

In the previous chapter it was stated that acids and alkalies split up in aqueous solution into positive and negative ions. Thus:—

 $HCl \iff H^+ + Cl^-$

and $NaOH \iff Na^+ + OH^-$.

When an acid reacts with a base, a salt and water are formed, e.g., HCl+NaOH = NaCl+H₂O.

The salt is also an electrolyte and will exist in solution

in the ionic condition :- NaCl >Na++Cl-.

All the reactants except water (which is ionized to a very small extent) exist in solution in ionic form and so the neutralisation of an acid by a base to form a salt must primarily be the combination of a hydrogen ion with a hydroxyl ion to form water $H^+ + OH^- = H_2O$.

That this is the fundamental reaction which takes place when any acid reacts with a base, is shown by the fact that the amount of heat given out when equivalent amounts of any strong acid and any strong base react is

always approximately the same.

The strength of an acid is governed by the extent of its dissociation into ions—by the number of hydrogen ions produced by a given amount of acid. HCl and HNO, are strong acids, being largely dissociated and thus giving rise to a high hydrogen ion concentration. Acetic acid, CH₃ COOH, is a weak acid as it is only dissociated to a small extent, and thus produces only a small concentration of hydrogen ions.

INDICATORS

In order to tell when the neutralisation of a base by an acid is complete, a small amount of a coloured substance called an indicator is added, which changes colour when the end-point of the titration is reached. As the neutralisation really means the removal of hydroxyl ion by hydrogen ion, or of hydrogen ion by hydroxyl ion, the indicator by its colour change shows the presence of excess hydrogen ions or of excess hydroxyl ions. Indicators are either weak acids or weak bases whose ions

are of a different colour from the undissociated molecules. Some indicators are more sensitive to the hydrogen ion than others, i.e., they require a small hydrogen ion concentration to make them change colour.

Methyl Orange is one of the commonest indicators in use. It is yellow in alkaline, and red in acid solution. It is not very sensitive to the hydrogen ion and requires quite a large hydrogen ion concentration before it will change colour, hence it cannot be used for the titration of weak acids. It can, however, be used in the titration of carbonates with acids, as the presence of carbonic acid does not affect it.

Litmus is more sensitive to the hydrogen ion than methyl orange, and so cannot be used in the presence of CO₂. It is seldom used in quantitative work.

Phenolpthalein, which is deep red in alkaline solution and colourless in acid solution, is extremely sensitive to the hydrogen ion and will become colourless even in the presence of small concentrations. It can therefore be used in the titration of weak acids which are dissociated to a very small extent.

Methyl Red is the only indicator that can be conveniently used in the presence of ammonia.

ACID-ALKALI TITRATIONS

Although the methods of volumetric analysis can be applied to any reactions which take place in aqueous solution, the calculation of the results is the same in all cases as the calculation of acid-alkali titration results. There are four main types of calculation which will now be illustrated, each by an example of an acid-alkali titration. Further calculations illustrating special types of reaction will then be worked, when it will be seen that the same principles apply throughout.

The use of normalities is the simplest, quickest and only logical method of calculating the results of volumetric analysis. On no account must the amounts of the reacting substances be worked out by calculat-

ing the weight of material in a solution of known normality and applying this in the chemical equation.

I. STANDARDISATION OF A SOLUTION OF UNKNOWN STRENGTH BY TITRATING IT WITH A WEIGHED AMOUNT OF MATERIAL DISSOLVED IN WATER

As most acids are sold in solutions of variable concentration, a solution of approximately the required strength is made up and standardised by running a measured volume of it from a burette into a flask which contains a weighed amount of anhydrous sodium carbonate.

Example. A solution of HCl was standardised by titration against anhydrous sodium carbonate. It was found that 0.197 grams of Na₂CO₂ required 36.7 c.c. of acid for neutralisation, using methyl orange as indicator. Determine the normality of the acid.

By definition, an equivalent weight of sodium carbonate will react with 1000 c.c. of N acid,

Or 53 gm. Na₂CO₃ \equiv 1000 c.c. of N HCl

∴ 0.197 ,,
$$\equiv \frac{1000 \times 0.197}{53}$$
 c.c. N HC!

but 0.197 ,, = 36.7 c.c. of x N HC1

This means that 36.7 c.c. of $x N HCl = 1000 \times \frac{0.197}{53}$ c.c. N HCl

$$\therefore \text{ Normality} = 1000 \times \left(\frac{0.197}{53}\right) \times \frac{1}{36.7} = 0.1013$$

.. Solution is 0.1013 N or 1.013 N/10.

It should be noted that the normality factor is given by the ratio of the calculated volume of normal reagent to the volume (36.7 c.c.) actually required.

II. DETERMINATION OF THE STRENGTH OF A SOLUTION OF UNKNOWN CONCENTRATION BY TITRATION WITH A SOLUTION OF KNOWN CONCENTRATION

A definite volume of the solution of unknown concentration is measured out and after the addition of a few drops of indicator the solution of known concentration is run in until the end point is reached, when its volume is read.

Example. The concentration of an ammonia solution was determined by titration with a -963 N/10 solution of sulphuric acid. It was found that 25.0 c.c. of the ammonia solution required 27.1 c.c. of the standard acid for neutralisation. Calculate (a) the normality of the ammonia solution and (b) its concentration expressed as grams of ammonium hydroxide per litre.

(a) 25 c.c. of ammonia solution = 27·1 c.c. of ·963 N/10 H₂SO₄ 1 c.c. of ammonia solution $\equiv \frac{27.1}{25.0} \times .963$ c.c. of N/10 H₂SO₄

but 1 c.c. of N/10 ammonia solution ≡ 1 c.c. N/10 H₂SO₄

 \therefore Normality of the solution = $\frac{27 \cdot 1}{25 \cdot 0} \times .963 \ N/10$

= .99 N/10 or 0.099 N

(Note.—The concentration of the unknown solution is always the ratio of the volume of standard solution required to that of unknown solution taken, multiplied by the normality of the standard solution.)

(b) The normality of a solution of a substance x its equivalent weight gives the concentration of the solution in grams

per litre.

The equivalent weight of NH4OH is the same as its molecular weight (14+4+17=35) as it contains only 1 hydroxyl group.

... The concentration of the solution = $.99 \times \frac{35}{10} = 3.465$ gm. per litre.

III. DETERMINATION OF THE PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION OF A SUBSTANCE BY WEIGHING OUT A DEFINITE QUANTITY, DISSOLVING IN WATER AND DILUTING TO A DEFINITE TITRATING FLASK, THEN A MEASURING VOLUME IN DEFINITE VOLUMES OF THIS SOLUTION WITH A STANDARD SOLUTION.

This is really a practical extension of the previous case, the unknown solution being made up by weighing out a definite amount of material. The true weight of substance present being determined by titration, its percentage in the original substance can be calculated.

Example. 3.712 grams of sodium carbonate crystals were weighed out, dissolved in water and made up to 250 c.c. Three successive samples of 25 c.c. of this solution required 28.05 c.c., 27.90 c.c. and 27.90 c.c. respectively, for titration with 93 N/10 H₂SO₄, using methyl orange as indicator. Calculate the percentage of Na₂CO₂ in the crystals.

Average volume of sulphuric acid required = 27.95 c.c.

∴ 25.00 c.c. Na₂CO₂ \equiv 27.95 c.c. .93 N/10 H₂SO₄

hence, as in the previous example, the normality of the car-

bonate solution is $\frac{27.95}{25.00} \times .93 N/10$.

and the concentration is $\frac{27.95}{25.00} \times .93 \times \frac{\text{equivalent weight Na,CO,}}{10}$

$$=\frac{27.95}{25.00} \times .93 \times \frac{53}{10}$$
 gm. litre.

and the weight in 250 c.c. will be $\frac{27.95}{25.00} \times 93 \times \frac{53}{10} \times \frac{1}{4}$ grams but 3.712 gm. of the crystals were dissolved in 250 c.c.

: they contain
$$\frac{27.95}{25.00} \times .93 \times \frac{53}{10} \times \frac{100}{3.712 \times 4}\%$$
 Na, CO.
$$= 37.14\%$$
 Na, CO.

IV. DETERMINATION OF THE QUANTITY OF A MATERIAL BY ADDING IT TO A KNOWN VOLUME (IN EXCESS) OF STANDARD SOLUTION OF A REAGENT WITH WHICH IT WILL REACT AND TITRATING THE RESIDUAL AMOUNT OF REAGENT WITH A STANDARD SOLUTION OF ANOTHER REAGENT

Example. In the determination of the percentage of ammonia in a salt the following data were obtained:—1.361 gm. of the salt were boiled with caustic soda and the ammonia evolved passed into 75 c.c. of a 1.02 N/2 solution of sulphuric acid. After the ammonia evolution was finished the excess acid was determined by titration with 1.27 N/2 NaOH solution, 23.14 c.c. being required. Determine the percentage of ammonia in the salt.

The ammonia liberated would neutralise an equivalent amount of acid.

As the total amount of acid at the beginning of the analysis is known and the amount left (in excess of that neutralised by the ammonia) estimated by titration, the ammonia liberated will be equivalent to the difference between these two volumes. In order to compare these volumes, they must all be reduced to the same normality.

Initial volume of acid = 75 c.c. of $1.02 N/2 H_aSO_4 = 75 \times \frac{1.02}{2}$ c.c. $N H_aSO_4$

= 38.50 c.c. $N H_{*}SO_{*}$

Volume of 1.27 N NaOH required to neutralise excess acid = 23.14 c.c.

= $23.14 \times \frac{1.27}{2}$ c.c. N NaOH

= 14.70 c.c. N NaOH

14.70 c.c. N NaOH = 14.70 c.c. N H₄SO₄

.: Excess acid is equivalent to 14.70 c.c. of normal solution.

... Volume of N acid used up by the ammonia = 38.50-14.70 = 23.80 c.c.

■ 23.80 c.c. N NH, solution.

 $\equiv \frac{23.80}{1000}$ equivalents of NH.

N NH, solution contains 17 gm. per litre

∴ weight of NH_a = $\frac{23.8 \times 17}{1000}$ gm.

 $\therefore \text{ ammonia in the salt} = \frac{23.8 \times 17}{1000} \times \frac{100 \%}{1.361}$ = 29.7%

DETERMINATION OF STRONG ALKALIES AND CARBONATES IN MIXTURES (THE USE OF TWO INDICATORS)

When caustic soda or caustic potash is brought into contact with the air, a certain amount of carbon dioxide is absorbed by the hydroxide with the formation of sodium

(or potassium) carbonate.

It is convenient, therefore, to have a quick method of determining both the hydroxide and the carbonate in a single sample of such a mixture. This is done by the titration of a given volume of the solution with a strong acid, using phenolpthalein as indicator and when the end point is reached, adding methyl orange and determining the second end point.

Sodium hydroxide is a strong base, that is to say it dissociates almost completely to sodium ions and to

hydroxyl ions. In titrating it with a strong acid such as hydrochloric acid, therefore, the end point as shown by either methyl orange or phenolpthalein will indicate the complete neutralisation of the hydroxide.

Let us now consider the neutralisation of sodium carbonate solution by hydrochloric acid in the presence of phenolphalein and of methyl orange respectively. The

reaction takes place in two stages:-

(a) Na,CO, + HCl = NaHCO, + NaCl

(b) $NaHCO_3 + HCl = NaCl + H_2CO_3$

During the first stage there are produced only NaHCO₃ and NaCl, neither of which gives rise to hydrogen ions; so that even phenolphalein, which is a very sensitive indicator, will not change colour during this part of the reaction.

As soon as the first stage is exactly completed (i.e., when the carbonate is half neutralised) the next drop of HCl will produce some free carbonic acid which will ionise to a small extent, although it is a weak acid:—

 $H_2CO_3 \iff H^+ + HCO_3^-$

As phenolpthalein is extremely sensitive to the hydrogen ion, it will change colour even in the presence of the weak acid and so the solution will become colourless immediately the first trace of H_2CO_3 is formed, that is when the neutralisation is half completed. Methyl orange, which is not as sensitive as phenolpthalein, is not affected by the small concentration of hydrogen ions formed by the weak carbonic acid and so will not give an end point until the second stage of the reaction has gone to completion and there is a trace of the strong acid, $HCl \rightleftharpoons H^+ + Cl^-$, present, which will give a sufficiently high hydrogen ion concentration to change the colour of the methyl orange.

If we have a mixture of sodium hydroxide and sodium carbonate and titrate it with hydrochloric acid in the presence of phenolpthalein, the end point will be reached when all the hydroxide is neutralised and half the carbonate. If now methyl orange is added, more acid can be run in until the end point of the titration (using methyl

orange) is reached when all the hydroxide and all the carbonate is neutralised.

The difference of volume between these two titrations will thus be equivalent to half the carbonate present.

M.O. gives Hydroxide + carbonate. P.P. gives Hydroxide + \frac{1}{2} carbonate. M.O. - P.P. gives \frac{1}{2} carbonate.

Example. 28.17 grams of commercial caustic potash were dissolved in water and the solution diluted to 1 litre. 50 c.c. of the dilute solution were titrated with a 0.498 N solution of HCl. Using phenolphalein 41.9 c.c. were required, and using methyl orange, 42.95 c.c. Calculate the % composition of the sample.

Calculation of % KOH.

50 c.c. KOH \equiv 40.85 c.c. of .498 N HCl

- . solution is $\frac{40.85}{50} \times 498$ N with respect to KOH
- ... it contains $\frac{40.85}{50} \times .498 \times 56$ gm. per litre.

∴ % KOH =
$$\frac{40.85}{50} \times .498 \times 56 \times \frac{100}{28.17}$$

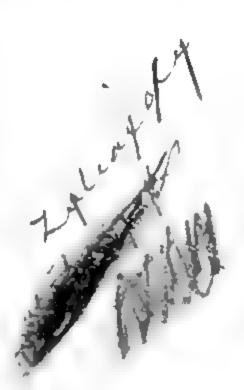
= 79.2 %

Calculation of % K₂CO₃

50 c.c. $K_2CO_3 \equiv 2.10$ c.c. of .498 N HCl

- : solution is $\frac{2.10}{50} \times .498 N$ with respect to K_2CO_3
- : it contains $\frac{2.10}{50} \times .498 \times 69$ gm. per litre

$$\therefore \% \ K_2CO_3 = \frac{2 \cdot 10}{50} \times \cdot 498 \times 69 \times \frac{100}{28 \cdot 17}$$
= 5 \cdot 02 \%





The sample contains 79.2% KOH, 5.02% K₂CO₃ and (by difference) 15.78% H₂O.

The method of calculation in this case is, in essential, the same as method III on page 118.

DETERMINATION OF EQUIVALENT WEIGHTS BY VOLUMETRIC ANALYSIS

Example. 0.366 grams of an organic acid were dissolved in 150 c.c. of .98 N/10 NaOH solution and the excess of caustic soda titrated with a 1.034 N/10 H,SO₄ solution, 47.80 c.c. being required. Calculate the equivalent weight of the acid.

150 c.c. of .98 N/10 NaOH solution $\equiv \frac{150 \times .98}{10}$ c.c. of N solution $\equiv 14.7$ c.c.

47.8 c.c. of 1.034 N/10 H₂SO₄ solution $\equiv \frac{47.8 \times 1.034}{10}$ c.c. of N solution

= 4.94 c.c.

the acid will be equivalent to the caustic soda neutralised = 14.70-4.94 = 9.76 c.c. of N solution.

Hence 9.76 c.c. of N solution contain 0.366 gm, of the acid

∴ 1000 c.c. of N , $\frac{0.866 \times 1000}{9.76}$ gm. = 37.5 gm.

But, by definition, the equivalent weight of a substance is contained in 1000 c.c. of its normal solution, hence 37.5 is the equivalent weight of the acid.

A similar method may be used to determine the equivalent of a metal by dissolving a known weight of its oxide in a known volume of standard acid and determining the excess acid by titration with standard alkali.

Example. 0.288 gm. of cadmium oxide were dissolved in 50 c.c. of $1.01\ N/10$ sulphuric acid, the residual acid requiring 6.21 c.c. of .92 N/10 caustic soda for titration. Calculate the equivalent weight of cadmium.

50 c.c. of 1.01 N/10 sulphuric acid $\equiv 50 \times 1.01$ c.c. N/10 acid $\equiv 50.60$ c.c.

6.21 c.c. of .92 N/10 alkali \equiv 6.21 \times .92 c.c. N/10 alkali \equiv 5.61 c.c. The acid used up by the cadmium oxide \equiv 50.50 \pm 5.61 c.c.

= 44.89 c.c. of N/10 solution

44-89 c.c. of N/10 acid ≈ 0.288 gm. of oxide

∴ 10000 c.c. of N/10 acid $\equiv 0.288 \times \frac{10000}{44.89}$ gm. of oxide.

= 64.15 gm.

But 10000 c.c. of N/10 acid = 1000 c.c. N acid = 1 equivalent of cadmium oxide = 64.15 gm.

The above calculations are a direct application of method IV on page 119.

ANALYSIS BY MEANS OF OXIDISING AGENTS

In many reactions in which oxidation takes place, the extent of oxidation may be used as a measure of the amount of oxidisable material present, since, by definition, one equivalent weight of substance will be oxidised by one equivalent weight of oxygen. As the oxygen is usually produced by an oxidising agent we define the equivalent weight of the oxidising agent as that weight which will give rise to one equivalent, =8 grams (the equivalent weight), or 22.41÷4=5.6025 litres (the equivalent volume) of oxygen available for oxidation

Let us consider the oxidation of ferrous compounds

to ferric compounds:-

$$2FeO + O = Fe_2O_3$$

or in the case of a salt:-

2FeSO₄ + H₂SO₄ + O = Fe₂(SO₄)₃ + H₃O

It will be seen from the equations that one atomic weight of oxygen (16 gm.) oxidises two molecules of a ferrous compound and hence one equivalent weight of oxygen (8 gm.) will oxidise one molecule of a ferrous compound. Hence for purposes of oxidation titrations, the equivalent weights of ferrous oxide and ferrous sulphate will be the same as their molecular weights and one equivalent (or molecular) weight of a ferrous compound will be oxidised by one litre of normal solution of an oxidising agent.

Again in the case of oxalic acid:—

$$\begin{array}{ccc} COOH \\ 1 & +O & = & 2CO_2 + H_2O_3 \end{array}$$

one atom of oxygen (16 grams) oxidises one molecule of the acid, and so one equivalent (8 grams) will oxidise half the molecular weight. Hence the equivalent weight of oxalic acid will be half of its molecular weight and will be oxidised by 1 litre of normal solution of an oxidising agent. By similar considerations the equivalent weight of any other material to be oxidised may be calculated.

NORMAL SOLUTIONS OF OXIDISING AGENTS

Potassium permanganate is the oxidising agent most extensively used for titrations involving oxidation. It oxidises, e.g., ferrous sulphate and oxalic acid, mentioned above, and may be used for estimating the quantities of these substances present in solutions of unknown concentration. The reaction by means of which potassium permanganate gives up its oxygen for oxidation may be expressed:—

$$2KMnO_4 = K_2O + 2MnO + 5O$$

 2×158.4 5×16

In practice sulphuric acid is always added to prevent the precipitation of the manganese as oxide, so that the equation becomes:—

$$2KMnO_4 + 3H_2SO_4 = K_2SO_4 + 2MnSO_4 + 3H_2O + 5O$$
.

Thus we see that $2 \times 158 = 316$ parts by weight of potassium permanganate supply $5 \times 16 = 80$ parts by weight (or 10 equivalents) of oxygen available for oxidation. Now, by definition, a normal solution of an oxidising agent is one that contains an equivalent weight (8 parts) of available oxygen per litre; hence the equivalent weight of potassium permanganate = $316 \div 10 = 31.6$ gm., or one-fifth of its molecular weight, and a normal solution would contain 31.6 gm. per litre.

Another oxidising agent in common use is potassium dichromate. Its equivalent weight can be determined by similar considerations.

$$K_{3}Cr_{3}O_{7} = K_{3}O + Cr_{3}O_{3} + 8O$$

or $K_{3}Cr_{3}O_{7} + 4H_{3}SO_{4} = K_{3}SO_{4} + Cr_{3}(SO_{4})_{3} + 4H_{3}O + 8O$
 8×16

Each molecule of potassium dichromate (294) produces three atoms (or six equivalents) of oxygen for oxidation. Hence its equivalent will be one-sixth of its molecular weight. A normal solution of potassium dichromate will therefore contain 49 gm. of the salt per litre.

In the case of potassium dichromate, as well as of potassium permanganate, approximately decinormal

solutions are generally used.

Once the solution of the oxidising agent has been made up and standardised (its normality determined) it may be regarded for simplicity as a solution of oxygen of the same normality, and need only appear as such in equations representing its oxidation actions.

Potassium permanganate solution acts as its own indicator since it is a purple solution, while its products are colourless substances. With potassium dichromate, either potassium ferricyanide is used as an external

indicator or diphenylamine as an internal indicator.

Example 1. A solution of potassium permanganate was standardised by titrating it against weighed amounts of sodium oxalate in the presence of sulphuric acid. 0.237 gm. of sodium oxalate require 40.15 c.c. of permanganate. Calculate the normality of the solution.

(The method of calculation will be the same as that under I,

page 117.)

As there is sulphuric acid present in solution, the sodium oxalate will be converted to oxalic acid and its equivalent weight like that of oxalic acid (see above) will be one-half of its molecular weight = 67.

By definition, an equivalent weight of sodium oxalate will be oxidised by 10000 c.c. N/10 potassium permanganate.

or 67 gm. $(COONa)_2 \equiv 10000$ c.c. of N/10 KMnO₄

$$\therefore \cdot 237$$
 , $\equiv 10000 \times \frac{\cdot 237}{67}$ c.c. of $N/10 \text{ KMnO}_4$

but .237 ,, $\equiv 40.15$ c.c. of xN/10 KMnO₄

This means that 40.15 c.c. of xN/10 solution = $10000 \times \frac{\cdot 237}{67}$ c.c.

of N/10 solution

$$\therefore x = \frac{10000}{40.15} \times \frac{237}{67} = 0.881$$

. solution is 881 N/10.

Example 2. 20 c.c. of a solution of hydrogen peroxide were diluted to 500 c.c. and 25 c.c. portions of this dilute solution titrated against 97 N/10 potassium permanganate solution, 18.05 c.c. being required. Find the concentration of the hydrogen peroxide and its "volume strength."

Although hydrogen peroxide is itself an oxidising agent it reacts with potassium permanganate to form water and free oxygen.

 $H_2O_2+O = H_2O+O_2$

This means that one gram molecule of H₂O₂ is oxidised by 16 gm, of oxygen or 2 litres of N KMnO₄

Hence the equivalent weight will be half the molecular weight

$$=\frac{34}{2}=17$$

Calculation of the Concentration of the H₂O₂ Solution

25.00 c.c. of $H_2O_2 \equiv 18.05$ c.c. of .97 N/10 KMnO₄

... normality of the diluted solution = $\frac{18.05}{25.00} \times .97 \text{ N/10}$

and it contains
$$\frac{18.05}{25} \times .97 \times \frac{17}{10}$$
 gm. per litre

But 1,000 c.c. of the dilute solution contained the same amount of H_2O_2 as 40 c.c. of the original solution which would thus contain,

$$\frac{18.05}{25} \times .97 \times \frac{17}{10} \times \frac{1000}{40}$$
 gm. litre = 29.77 gm. per litre.

Calculation of Volume Strength

The "volume strength" of hydrogen peroxide is defined as the number of times its own volume of oxygen a sample of hydrogen peroxide solution will evolve if decomposed naturally.

$$2H_2O_2 = 2H_2O + O_3$$

Now in the oxidation of H_2O_2 by permanganate, the oxygen evolved comes equally from the H_2O_2 and the permanganate; but 1 litre of N KMnO₄ \equiv 8 gm. of oxygen or 5.6025 litres (the equivalent volume)

..18.05 c.c. of .97 $N/10 \text{ KMnO}_4 = 5602.5 \times \frac{18.05}{1000} \times \frac{97}{10}$ c.c. of

oxygen = 9.81 c.c., and this is also the volume of oxygen given off by 25 c.c. of the diluted H_2O_2 solution which contains 1 c.c. of the original solution and hence 9.81 is the "volume strength" of the peroxide.

The volume strength may also be calculated directly from the concentration

> 2H,O, 2H₂O₂+O₂

68 gm. H₂O₂ evolve 22410 c.c. of oxygen

.1 c.c. of the solution containing .02977 gm. H₂O₂ evolve $22410 \times \frac{.02977}{68}$ c.c. = 9.81 c.c.

The first method is advised where only the "volume strength " and not the concentration is required.

Example 3. 0.478 gm. of an iron ore were dissolved in dilute acid and titrated with 989 N/10 potassium dichromate solution, 7.55 c.c. being required. After reduction of the whole solution with stannous chloride, 29.70 c.c. of dichromate were required. Calculate the percentages of ferrous and of ferric iron in the ore.

 $2FeSO_4 + H_2SO_4 + O = Fe_2(SO_4)_3 + H_2O$ 2×56

During the first titration only the iron present in the ferrous state will be oxidised and is bence equivalent to 7.55 c.c. of .989

 $N/10 \text{ K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$. After reduction with stannous chloride all the iron will be in the ferrous state and so the titration, 29.70 c.c. of .989 N/10 K2Cr2O7 is equivalent to the total iron present.

By subtraction the ferric iron = 29.70 - 7.55 = 22.15 c.c. of

.989 N/10 K2Cr2O7.

Ferrous Iron

The ferrous iron is oxidised by 7.55 c.c. of .989 N/10 K2Cr2O7.

: it contains $\frac{7.55}{1000} \times \frac{.989}{10}$ equivalents of iron.

 \therefore the weight of Fe is $=\frac{7.65}{1000} \times .989 \times \frac{56}{10}$

 \therefore percentage of ferrous iron = $7.55 \times .989 \times \frac{.56}{10} \times \frac{100}{0.478}$ = 8.79%

Ferric Iron

By similar reasoning the percentage of ferric iron may be shown to be: $\frac{22.15}{1000} \times .989 \times \frac{56}{10} \times \frac{00}{0.478} = 25.78\%$.

(It should be realised that this calculation is merely a variation of method III, page 118. In this case, as the iron is not made up to a definite volume, we calculate the number of equivalents that it contains rather than its normality.)

IODINE TITRATIONS

The usefulness of iodine in volumetric analysis is chiefly due to its reaction with sodium thiosulphate which provides a satisfactory method of measuring the iodine liberated by a reaction:—

$$2Na_2S_2O_3 + I_2 = Na_2S_4O_6 + 2NaI$$
 (sodium tetrathionate)

All titrations are carried out in a solution of potassium iodide which is a solvent for iodine and prevents it from being precipitated. Iodine, even in small traces, gives an intense blue colour to starch solution; so when the titration is nearing completion and the yellow colour due to the iodine is becoming faint, a few drops of starch solution are added and the titration continued until the dark blue coloration just disappears.

The equivalent weight of iodine is the same as its atomic weight, since iodine is a univalent element. From the equation above it will be seen that one gram molecular weight of thiosulphate reacts with one equivalent of iodine and hence the gram molecular weight of sodium thiosulphate is also its equivalent weight.

STANDARDISATION OF SODIUM THIOSULPHATE SOLUTION

Sodium thiosulphate may be standardised against a weighed amount of pure, resublimed iodine, but other methods are more convenient. Generally an approximately decinormal solution of sodium thiosulphate is made up by weighing out one-tenth of its gram molecular weight and making it up to one litre of solution. Iodine is now liberated from excess potassium iodide solution by adding a given volume of an oxidising agent, e.g., 25 c.c. of KMnO₄ or K₂Cr₂O₇.

$$2KI + O + H_2SO_4 = K_2SO_4 + H_2O + I_2$$

the iodine formed being equivalent to the amount of oxidising agent added. Thus 25 c.c. N/10 KMnO₄ solution added to an excess of potassium iodide solution will produce 25 c.c. N/10 iodine solution. This iodine is now titrated by running in the solution of sodium

thiosulphate to be standardised and the normality of the thiosulphate calculated.

Example. 25 c.c. of a 1.14 N/10 solution of potassium dichromate were added to an excess of potassium iodide solution and titrated with sodium thiosulphate solution, 25.95 c.c. being required. Calculate the normality of the thiosulphate solution.

25 c.c. of 1.14 N/10 K,Cr,O, $\equiv 25 \times 1.14$ c.c. of N/10 iodine solution, and 25.95 c.c. of thiosulphate solution $\equiv 25 \times 1.14$ c.c. N/10 iodine

... normality of thiosulphate solution is $\frac{25.00}{25.95} \times 1.14 N/10$ = 1.098 N/10

The applications of the iodine titration are somewhat numerous and only a few examples can be given here.

Example 1. 25 c.c. of chlorine water were added to an excess of potassium iodide solution and the liberated iodine titrated with .97 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution, 28.50 c.c. being required. Calculate the concentration of chlorine in gm. per litre.

 $2KI+Cl_2 = 2KCl+I_2$ The iodine liberated will be equivalent to the chlorine present. Hence 1 litre of N/10 Cl_2 solution $\equiv 1$ litre of N/10 I_2 solution $\equiv 1$ litre of N/10 $Na_2S_2O_3$ solution.

25 c.c. of chlorine solution = 28.50 c.c. of .97 N iodine solution.

Normality of the chlorine water = $\frac{28.50}{25.00} \times .97 N/10$.

Concentration = $\frac{28.50}{25.00} \times .97 \times \frac{35.46}{10}$ gm. per litre. = 3.921 gm. per litre.

Example 2. 3-143 gm. of a copper ore were dissolved in acid and made up to 500 c.c. 50 c.c. of this solution were added to an excess of potassium iodide solution. 26-75 c.c. of 1-21 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution were required to titrate the liberated iodine. Calculate the percentage of copper in the ore.

Equation for the reaction:— $2CuSO_4+4KI=Cu_2I_2+2K_2SO_4+I_2.$

On addition of copper (cupric) sulphate to potassium iodide solution, cuprous iodide is precipitated and an equivalent amount of iodine liberated. Each molecule of copper salt (or

each atom of copper) liberates one atom (one equivalent) of iodine. The equivalent weight of copper in the reaction is thus the same as its atomic weight 63.57.

Now, 50 c.c. of CuSO₄ solution ≡ iodine solution ≡ 26.75

c.c. of 1.21 N/10 thiosulphate solution.

: normality of CuSO₄ solution is $\frac{26.75}{50.00} \times 1.21 \text{ N/10}$

and concentration is $\frac{26.75}{50} \times 1.21 \times \frac{63.57}{10}$ gm. litre

$$\therefore \text{ percentage of copper in the ore} = \frac{26.75}{50} \times 1.21 \times \frac{63.57}{10} \times \frac{100}{3.143 \times 2}$$
$$= 65.4\%$$

Example 3. 1.278 gm. of commercial arsenious oxide were dissolved in a dilute solution of sodium bicarbonate, made up to 250 c.c. and titrated against 25 c.c. portions of a .99 N/10 solution of iodine, 25.19 c.c. being the average result of a titration. Calculate the percentage purity of the oxide.

$$2I_2 + As_2O_3 + 2H_2O \rightleftharpoons 4HI + As_2O_5$$

 $198 = 4$ equivalents.

The sodium bicarbonate is added to remove the hydroiodic acid as quickly as it is formed and hence to ensure the completion of the reaction from left to right.

4 equivalents of iodine react with one molecular weight of As_2O_3 , hence the equivalent weight of As_2O_3 is one quarter of its molecular weight = $\frac{198}{4}$ = 49.5.

25.19 c.c. of As_2O_3 solution \equiv 25.00 c.c. of .99 N/10 iodine

... the normality of the
$$As_2O_3$$
 solution = $\frac{25\cdot00}{25\cdot19} \times \cdot 99 N/10$.

$$\therefore$$
 concentration = $\frac{25.00}{25.19} \times .99 \times \frac{49.5}{10}$ gm. per litre

...percentage of
$$As_2O_3 = \frac{25.00}{25.19} \times .99 \times \frac{49.5}{10} \times \frac{100}{1.278 \times 4}$$

= 95.15%

PRECIPITATION ANALYSIS

When silver nitrate solution reacts with a chloride, silver chloride is precipitated.

AgNO, + NaCl = AgCl + NaNO,.

This reaction is applied to the determination of chlorides,

a decinormal solution of silver nitrate being used. A definite volume of the chloride solution is taken and silver nitrate run in from a burette. A few drops of potassium chromate solution are added as indicator. Each addition of silver nitrate from the burette causes a precipitation of white silver chloride, but not of silver chromate, which is less insoluble. As soon as all the chloride has been precipitated, however, the next drop of silver solution will produce a precipitate of dark red silver chromate. The appearance of a slight, permanent, reddish brown coloration indicates the end point of the reaction. As silver chromate is soluble in dilute acids and in ammonium hydroxide solution, the titration must be carried out in neutral solution.

From the equation above it will be seen that one molecule of silver nitrate precipitates one equivalent of chloride and hence the equivalent weight of silver nitrate is the same as its molecular weight. A normal solution of silver nitrate therefore contains a gram molecular

weight (108 + 14 + 48) = 170 gm. per litre.

Silver nitrate solution is most conveniently standardised by accurately weighing out some pure potassium chloride, making it up to a definite volume and titrating 25 c.c. samples of this solution with the silver nitrate solution.

Example 1. In order to standardise an approximately decinormal solution of silver nitrate, 1.472 gm. of potassium chloride were weighed out and dissolved in distilled water so as to make 250 c.c. of solution. A 25 c.c. sample of this solution required on the average 21.13 c.c. of silver nitrate solution for titration. Calculate the normality of the silver nitrate solution.

The equivalent of potassium chloride is 39.1+35.46=74.56. A decinormal solution : contains 7.456 gm. per litre and so a solution containing 1.472 gm. in 250 c.c. is $\frac{4\times1.472}{7.456}$ N/10

Now 21.13 c.c. of silver nitrate solution $\equiv 25$ c.c. of $\frac{4 \times 1.472}{7.456}$ N/10 KCL

... normality of silver nitrate is $\frac{25.00}{21.13} \times \frac{4 \times 1.472}{7.456} N/10$ = .984 N/10 Example 2. 250 c.c. of a natural water required 21.8 c.c. of .934 N/100 silver nitrate solution for titration. Calculate the chlorine content of the water expressed as grams of chlorine per 100 litres of water.

250 c.c. of water \equiv 21.8 c.c. of .934 N/100 silver nitrate solution, hence the normality of the water with respect to chlorine is:—

 $\frac{21.8}{250} \times .934 \ N/100.$

The equivalent of chlorine is 35.46, and so the concentration of the solution is $\frac{21.8}{250} \times .934 \times \frac{35.46}{100}$ gm. Cl₂.

... weight in 100 litres would be $\frac{21.8}{250} \times .934 \times \frac{35.46}{100} \times 100 = 2.892$ gm.

Volhard's Method for the Estimation of Silver Silver nitrate reacts with ammonium thiocyanate according to the following equation:—

 $AgNO_3 + NH_4CNS = AgCNS + NH_4NO_4$

If a small quantity of ferric indicator (iron alum and nitric acid) is placed in the silver solution, completion of the reaction will be shown by the appearance of a permanent pink colour due to ferric thiocyanate which is produced by even the minutest excess of thiocyanate after the silver has all been precipitated. This is a much more sensitive end point than that given by silver chromate in the direct silver nitrate-chloride titration, and so the reaction has given rise to an important volumetric method for the estimation of silver or of chlorides. It has the additional advantages that the titration may be carried out in acid solution, also that it is not disturbed by the presence of considerable amounts of copper and other metallic impurities in the silver.

In order to estimate a chloride, a known weight of the solid material is dissolved in water and an accurately measured volume of standard silver nitrate solution, in slight excess of that required to precipitate all the chloride, is added. The solution is next boiled to coagulate the silver chloride, filtered and the excess of silver

nitrate estimated by titration with standard ammonium thiocyanate solution.

Example. 0.192 gm. of a solid chloride were dissolved in water and the chlorine precipitated by the addition of 50 c.c. of $1.017\ N/10$ silver nitrate solution. After filtering off the silver chloride the excess silver nitrate was titrated by running in $0.98\ N/10$ ammonium thiocyanate solution, $18.40\ c.c.$ being required. Calculate the percentage of chlorine in the chloride.

(This calculation is similar to method IV on page 119.) 50 c.c. of $1.017 \ N/10$ silver nitrate solution $\equiv 50 \times 1.017$ c.c. of N/10 solution.

= 50.85 c.c.

and 18.40 c.c. of 0.98 N/10 NH₄CNS solution $\equiv 18.40 \times .98$ c.c. of N/10 solution

= 18.05 c.c.

The chloride present will be equivalent to the silver nitrate used, which is the difference of these two volumes of decinormal solution.

= 50.85 c.c. -18.05 c.c. = 32.80 c.c. of N/10 solution.

: it contains $\frac{32.80}{1000} \times \frac{1}{10}$ equivalents of chloride.

The equivalent weight of chlorine is 85.46 gm.

... the weight of chlorine =
$$\frac{32.80}{1000} \times \frac{35.46}{10} \text{gm}$$
.
and percentage = $\frac{32.80}{1000} \times \frac{35.46}{10} \times \frac{100}{0.192}$
= 60.57%

MISCELLANEOUS CALCULATIONS ON VOLUMETRIC ANALYSIS

Four more examples now follow to illustrate how the principles used in the calculations above are applied in connection with the results of analyses which employ other standard solutions and in the working of specific problems.

Example 1. 4.78 gm. of sodium nitrite were weighed out and made up to a litre with distilled water. 25 c.c. samples were taken and each heated with 25 c.c. of a 1.01 N/10 solution of hydroxylamine hydrochloride. After cooling, the excess hydroxylamine was estimated by titration with .96 N/10 caustic soda solution, an average of 9.60 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage purity of the sample.

$$NaNO_2+NH_2OH.HCl = NaCl+N_2O+2H_2O$$
 (i)
 $NH_2OH.HCl+NaOH = NH_2OH+NaCl+H_2O$ (ii)

From equation (i) it is seen that one molecule of sodium nitrite is equivalent to one molecule of hydroxylamine and from equation (ii) that one molecule of hydroxylamine is equivalent to one of caustic soda.

Volume of hydroxylamine hydrochloride

 $= 25.00 \times 1.01 \ N/10 = 25.25 \ c.c. \ N/10$

Volume of sodium hydroxide required

 $= 9.60 \times 0.96 \ N/10 = 9.20 \ c.c. \ N/10$

. Volume of NH₂OH.HCl \equiv 25 c.c. NaNO₂ = 16.05 c.c. N/10 solution

and so normality of sodium nitrite solution = $\frac{16.05}{25.00} \times N/10$

and its concentration = $\frac{16.05}{25.00} \times \frac{69}{10}$ gm. per litre

: percentage purity of sodium nitrite = $\frac{16.05}{25.00} \times \frac{69 \times 100}{10}$ = 92.66%

Example 2. 0.102 gm. of an antimony ore were dissolved in acid and reduced to the tervalent state by means of SO2. After boiling off the excess SO, the solution was titrated with a 98 N/10 solution of potassium bromate, the end point being indicated by the presence of methyl orange, whose colour fades when excess bromate is present. 14.63 c.c. of bromate were required. Calculate the percentage of antimony in the ore.

$$KBrO_3+6HCl = KBr+3H_2O+3Cl_2$$

 $3SbCl_3+3Cl_2 = 3SbCl_3$

Potassium bromate is thus used as an oxidising agent to change the antimony from the tervalent to the pentavalent condition. 1 Mol. KBrO₃ = 3 Mols. Cl₂, which oxidise 3 Mols. SbCl₃ to SbCls

∴1/6 Mol. KBrO₃ \equiv 1 equivalent Cl₂ \equiv $\frac{1}{2}$ Atomic wt. of Sb.

$$=\frac{121.76}{2}=60.88$$
 gm.

The equivalent weight of antimony is thus 60.88. 0.102 gm. of Sb \equiv 14.63 c.c. of .98 N/10 solution.

and \therefore contain $\frac{14.63}{1000} \times \frac{.98}{10}$ equivalents of antimony.

The weight of Sb in the solution $\therefore = \frac{14.63}{1000} \times .98 \times \frac{60.88}{10}$ gm. per

litre, and the percentage of antimony in the ore

$$= \frac{14.63}{10000} \times .98 \times \frac{60.88}{10} \times \frac{100}{0.102}$$

= 85.5%

Example 8. 0.746 gm. of a mixture of sodium and potassium chlorides was dissolved in water and made up to 250 c.c. A 50 c.c. portion of this solution required 25.6 c.c. of a .97 N/10 solution of silver nitrate for titration. Calculate the percentage of sodium chloride in the mixture.

 $Na(K)Cl+AgNO_3 = AgCl+Na(K)NO_3$

50 c.c. of chloride solution $\equiv 25.6$ c.c. of .97 N/10 silver nitrate

... normality of the chloride solution = $\frac{25.60}{50.00} \times .97 \ N/10$

and its concentration = $\frac{25.60}{50.00} \times .97 \times \frac{35.46}{10}$ gm, chlorine per litre

or $\frac{25.60}{50.00} \times .97 \times \frac{35.46}{10} \times \frac{1}{4}$ gm. per 250 c.c.

= 0.4402 gm.

This means that 0.746 gm. of the mixed chlorides contain 0.4402 gm. of chlorine. Let x = the weight of NaCl in the mixture, then 0.746-x = the

weight of KCl.

x gm. of NaCl contain $x \times \frac{35.46}{58.46}$ gm. of chlorine

and 0.746-x gm. of KCl contain $(0.746-x)\times\frac{35.46}{74.56}$ gm. of chlorine

but the total weight of chlorine in the mixture is 0.4402 gm.

$$\therefore x \times \frac{35 \cdot 46}{58 \cdot 46} + (0.746 - x) \times \frac{35 \cdot 48}{74 \cdot 56} = 0.4402$$

x = 0.6525 gm. or $\frac{0.6525}{0.746} \times 100\%$ NaCl

= 87.5% NaCl in the mixture.

when vaporised had a vapour density of 84.9 at a temperature at which there was no evidence of dissociation. 0.8592 gm. of the chloride were dissolved in water, complete hydrolysis taking place. The acid solution required 45.4 c c. of .89 N/2 caustic soda solution for neutralisation. Calculate the atomic weight of the element.

The approximate molecular weight of the chloride = 2xits

vapour density = $2 \times 84.9 = 169.8$

Now $XCI_x + xH_2O = xHCl + X(OH)_x$

Thus for every atom of chlorine present in the molecular weight. one litre of normal HCl solution will be formed. The equivalent weight of the chloride will be that weight that contains

one equivalent of chlorine, that produces one equivalent of hydrochloric acid, and that requires one litre of N NaOH for neutralisation.

45.4 c.c. of .89 N/2 caustic soda solution $\equiv 0.8592$ gm. of the chloride

...1000 c.c. of N caustic soda solution $\equiv .8592 \times \frac{1000 \times 2}{45.4 \times .89}$ of the chloride = 42.52 c.c.

The accurate equivalent weight of the chloride is thus = 42.52. But the approximate molecular weight of the compound is 169.8.

... valency of the element = $\frac{169.8}{42.52}$ = 4

The equivalent weight of the element = equivalent of the chloride—equivalent of chlorine = 42.52-35.46 = 7.06. Accurate atomic weight of the element = $7.06 \times 4 = 28.24$.

PROBLEMS ON VOLUMETRIC ANALYSIS

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

ACID-ALKALI TITRATIONS

- 291 Calculate the normality of solutions of nitric and sulphuric acids each containing 124.8 gm. per litre.
- Calculate the concentration in grams per litre of a solution of acetic acid, the normality of which is the same as that of a solution of caustic potash containing 5.720 gm. per litre.
- 293 Calculate the concentration in grams per litre of a 2.35 N solution of (a) nitric acid
 - (b) oxalic acid
 - (c) barium bydroxide.
- What is the concentration expressed in grams per litre of 0.127 N solutions of (a) H₂SO₄
 - (b) HNO₃
 (c) acetic acid; and what indicators would you use in titrating them with NaOH solution?
- A solution of barium hydroxide is known to contain 0.00816 gm, per c.c. Calculate its normality; also what would be the concentration of a solution of caustic soda of the same normality?
- 296 20 c.c. of a solution of sulphuric acid required for neutralisation 25.2 c.c. of a solution of caustic soda of normality .92 N/10. Calculate the normality and concentration of the acid.

An approximately decinormal solution of sulphuric acid was 297 standardised by titration against weighed quantities of anhydrous sodium carbonate. It was found that 0.20 gm. of carbonate were neutralised by 39.20 c.c. of sulphuric acid. Calculate the normality of the acid.

20 c.c. of ammonia of specific gravity 0.940 were dissolved in distilled water and made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. portions required, on an average, 19.8 c.c. of .875 N HCl for neutralisation. Calculate the percentage of ammonia in the

solution.

299 19-6 c.c. of H₂SO₄ density 1-674 were mixed with water and the volume made up to I litre. 25 c.c. of the solution required 25.20 c.c. .973 N/2 NaOH for neutralisation. Find

the % of pure H₂SO₄.

300 25 c.c. of a solution containing a mixture of formic, acetic and oxalic acids was diluted to one litre and 25 c.c. samples titrated against .86 N/10 caustic soda solution, an average volume of 18.2 c.c. being required. Calculate the acidity of the original solution as expressed by the concentration of replaceable hydrogen per litre.

How much 935 N alkali would be required to neutralise the 301 acid produced by the complete hydrolysis of . 5 gm. of

sulphuryl chloride?

3.85 gm. of impure tartaric acid were dissolved in water 302 and made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. portions of the diluted solution were titrated against a .97 N/10 caustic soda solution, using phenolpthalein as indicator, 18.93 c.c. being the average titration result. Calculate the percentage purity of the acid

How much .935 N alkali would be required to neutralise the acid produced by the hydrolysis of .5 gm. PCl₅, using litmus 303

as indicator?

0.4 gm. of phosphorus was burnt to the oxide and dissolved in excess boiling water. The solution was titrated with N/10 NaOH, using litmus as indicator. How much was required?

305 What volume of .981 N/2 HCl is required to neutralise .6732 gm. of Na₂CO₃ when (a) methyl orange is used as indicator

and (b) when phenolpthalein is used?

2.510 gm. of ferrous ammonium sulphate were heated with excess caustic soda and the ammonia evolved passed into 50 c.c. of 1.13 N/2 sulphuric acid. The excess acid required 17.78 c.c. of .89 N caustic soda solution for neutralisation. Calculate the percentage of ammonia in the salt.

5 gm. of ammonium chloride were heated with 5 gm. of calcium oxide and the resulting gas led into excess of N/10hydrochloric acid solution. What volume of this solution

would be neutralised?

- 308 0.664 gm. of an ammonium salt was decomposed by heating with caustic soda solution and the liberated ammonia absorbed in 50 c.c. of .9 N sulphuric acid. The excess acid, after absorption, required 29.9 c.c. 1.1 N caustic soda solution. Calculate the percentage of ammonia in the salt.
- 309 1.437 gm. of an ammonium compound were heated with NaOH and the ammonia evolved passed into 25 c.c. of .640 N H₂SO₄. After the ammonia evolution had ceased the excess acid was titrated with .1079 N NaOH and 80.29 c.c. were required. Find the percentage of ammonia in the compound.
- 310 1.263 gm. of an organic nitrogen compound were reduced to ammonium salts by Kjeldahl's method. On addition of excess caustic soda and heating, the ammonia was driven off and absorbed in 50 c.c. of 1.31 N/2 sulphuric acid, 34.9 c.c. of 1.29 N/2 caustic soda being required to neutralise the excess acid. Calculate the percentage of nitrogen in the compound.
- 811 25 c.c. of a solution of calcium sulphate was boiled with 50 c.c. of 1.2 N/10 sodium carbonate, filtered and the excess carbonate found by titration with .99 N/10 sulphuric acid, 26.2 c.c. being required. What was the concentration of the calcium sulphate solution?
- 312 The temporary hardness of a sample of water was determined by titration with standard acid, 100 c.c. of water requiring 9.6 c.c. of .97 N/20 acid for neutralisation. Calculate the temporary hardness of the water expressed as gm. of CaCO, per 100,000 gm. of water.
- 313 100 c.c. of a sample of water was titrated with 1.21 N/20 sulphuric acid for the determination of its temporary hardness. 7.9 c.c. were required. In determining the permanent hardness 25 c.c. of 1.24 N/20 sodium carbonate solution was added to a further 100 c.c., the solution boiled, filtered and titrated with the same standard acid, 19.6 c.c. being required. Calculate the temporary and the permanent hardness of the water expressed as parts of CaCO, and CaSO, respectively, in 100,000 parts of water.
- What volume N/2 acid is required to neutralise a mixture of ·4 gm. KOH and ·5 gm. K₂CO₃ with phenolphalein as indicator?
- 315 A mixture of ·5 gm. each of NaOH, Na₂CO₃ and NaHCO₃ is dissolved in water and titrated with N H₂SO₄. What volume is required, using (a) phenolpthalein and (b) methyl orange?
- A solution of N NaOH is left exposed to CO₂. It is found that 50 c.c. required 39.3 c.c. of .975 N acid for titration, using phenolphalein as indicator Calculate the volume of CO₂ absorbed at N.T.P.

- What volume of .981 N/10 H₂SO₄ is required to neutralise a mixture of .121 gm. KOH and .161 gm. K₂CO₃, using (1) phenolphtalein, (2) methyl orange as indicators?
- A solution is known to contain 0.47 gm. of anhydrous sodium carbonate, 1.06 gm. of sodium bicarbonate and 0.03 gm. of sodium hydroxide. Calculate the volume of 1.22 N/2 sulphuric acid which will be required to neutralise the solution, using as indicator (a) methyl orange and (b) phenolpthalein.
- A solution was made by dissolving 12.82 gm. of a mixture of normal K₂SO₄ and acid KHSO₄ in half a litre of water, 25 c.c. of the solution were found to require 27.8 c.c. standard KOH (1 c.c. = .0055 gm. KOH). Calculate the weight of each salt in 10 gm. of the mixture.
- 25 c.c. of a solution of a mixture of NaOH and Na₂CO₃ require for neutralisation 10.5 c.c. N/2 H₂SO₄ with phenolphhalem as indicator and 15.6 c.c. with methyl orange. Calculate the weights of NaOH and Na₂CO₃ in a litre of solution.
- 321 ·46 gm. of the oxide of a metal M required for neutralisation 60 c.c. N/10 HCl. The carbonate had the formula MCO₃. What is the atomic weight of the metal?
- 322 0-3142 gm. of an organic acid were dissolved in 25 c.c. of 1.13 N/2 caustic soda solution. The residual alkali required 15.00 c.c. of .99 N/2 sulphuric acid for neutralisation. The acid gave a value of 22.8 in a vapour density determination. Calculate the equivalent weight and the basicity of the acid.
- 323 0.2573 gm. of an organic acid are dissolved in 25 c.c. 1.056 N/10 NaOH solution. It is found that 5.2 c.c. of .976 N/10 H,SO, are required to neutralise the excess of alkali. Find the gm. equivalent weight of the organic acid.
- 324 0.1123 gm. of pure indium oxide were dissolved in 50 c.c. of 1.11 N/10 HCl and the excess acid titrated with .96 N/10 NaOH solution, 32.55 c.c. being required. A small quantity of the chloride extracted from the solution gave a value of 112 in a vapour density determination. Calculate the atomic weight of indium.
- 0.5691 gm. of aluminium foil were dissolved in 100 c.c. of .96 N hydrochloric acid and the excess acid determined by titration with .94 N caustic soda solution, 35.10 c.c. being required. Calculate the equivalent weight of aluminium.

POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE AND POTASSIUM DICHROMATE

What weight of pure crystallised oxalic acid will be oxidised by 39.8 c.c. of .0960 N potassium permanganate solution in the presence of excess dilute sulphuric acid.

- 327 0.5 gm, of a substance containing 35% iron, required for oxidation 40 c.c. KMnO₄. How much ferrous ammonium sulphate would 1 c.c. of this solution oxidise? Calculate also the concentration of the KMnO₄ solution in gm. per litre.
- 328 10 c.c. of potassium permanganate in acid solution are decolorised by 0.56 gm. of ferrous ammonium sulphate. What volume of permanganate must be diluted to 1 litre with water to make the solution exactly N/10?
- 229 24.2 c.c. of a solution of oxalic acid were required to neutralise 25 c.c. of NaOH solution. 25 c.c. of the oxalic acid solution decolorised 36.3 c.c. of a KMnO₄ solution, 50 c.c. of a solution of ferrous ammonium sulphate required 23.1 c.c. of KMnO₄ solution or 34.65 of a .25 N/10 solution of K₂Cr₂O₇ for complete oxidation. Determine the normality of the NaOH solution.
- 330 10 c.c. of a solution of ferrous sulphate require 10.8 c.c. of 0.101 N KMnO₄ for oxidation. How much Fe₂O₃ could be obtained from 60 c.c. of the ferrous sulphate solution?
- 331 0.5 gm, of an iron ore were dissolved in dilute H₂SO₄ and titrated with N/10 KMnO₄, of which 6.25 c.c. were required. The whole was then reduced with a ZnCu couple, the acid again titrated, 31.25 c.c. being required. Find the percentage of ferrous and ferric iron in the ore.
- 332 1-211 gm. of a substance containing 21% iron require 30-1 c.c. of potassium permanganate solution for oxidation. Calculate the normality of the permanganate.
- 333 0.2240 gm. of pure iron were dissolved in pure H₂SO₄ and required for oxidation 43.2 c.c. of KMnO₄ solution. Calculate the normality of the KMnO₄ and its strength in terms of iron per c.c. of solution.
- 334 0.5 gm. of ferrous ammonium sulphate,

 $FeSO_4(NH_4)_2SO_4.6H_2O_4$

require 14.5 c.c. of KMnO₄ solution for oxidation. Calculate the strength of the KMnO₄ solution in terms of

- (a) iron
- (b) normality
- (c) oxalic acid.
- 335 3265 gm. of potassium persulphate was mixed with 25 c.c. of FeSO₄ acidified and well shaken. The excess of FeSO₄ was determined by titration with 1023 N KMnO₄, 7.44 c.c. being required. If 25 c.c. FeSO₄ solution were equivalent to 30.56 c.c. of this KMnO₄, calculate the percentage purity of the persulphate.

- 336 20 c.c. of a solution of oxalic acid require 21.1 c.c. of N/10 potassium permanganate for oxidation. How much calcium oxalate would 25 c.c. of the oxalic acid yield on treatment with calcium chloride?
- 337 0.314 gm. of the mixed oxalates of Na and K require for oxidation 58 c.c. 77 N/10 KMnO₄. What is the percentage of sodium oxalate in the mixture?
- 338 1.4370 gm. of sodium nitrite were dissolved in water and made up to a volume of 250 c.c. 25 c.c. samples were quickly titrated with 1.023 N/10 potassium permanganate, 39.94 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage purity of the nitrite.
- 0.207 gm. of pyrolusite was carefully weighed into a flask containing 25 c.c. of acidified standard ferrous sulphate solution in an inert atmosphere. After heating and completion of the reaction, the excess ferrous sulphate was determined by titration with 1.023 N/10 potassium permanganate solution, 7.57 c.c. being required. 25 c.c. of the ferrous sulphate solution were equivalent to 48.15 of the same permanganate solution. Calculate the percentage of MnO₂ in the pyrolusite.
- 1.1586 gm. of pig iron were dissolved in acid and the manganese present oxidised to permanganate by means of sodium bismuthate. 50 c.c. of ferrous sulphate were added and, after reaction, the excess determined by titration with .425 after reaction, the excess determined by titration with .425 N/10 potassium permanganate solution, 3.04 c.c. being required. 50 c.c. of the ferrous sulphate solution were found to be equivalent to 35.90 c.c. of the same permanganate solution. Calculate the percentage of manganese in the iron.
- 10 c.c. H₂O₂ solution were diluted to 250 c.c. in a flask and 25 c.c. of this solution titrated against KMnO₄, 33 c.c. being required. If the KMnO₄ is the same strength as a solution of K₂Cr₂O₇, 25 c c. of which oxidised 0.16 gm. of pure iron find the volume strength of the H₂O₂.
- 2.5 c.c. of a solution of Merck's "perhydrol" (concentrated hydrogen peroxide) was diluted to 500 c.c. with distilled water and 25 c.c. samples of this solution titrated with 1.06 N/10 potassium permanganate, an average volume of 21.15 c.c. being required. Calculate the concentration and the volume strength of the perhydrol.
- 343 0.527 gm. of barium peroxide contaminated with the monoxide were dissolved in an excess of dilute sulphuric acid and titrated with 1.07 N/10 potassium permanganate solution, 18.75 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage purity of the peroxide.

- 344 0.514 gm. of sodium peroxide were dissolved in water and the volume of the solution made up to 250 c.c. 50 c.c. samples were titiated with 1.023 N/10 potassium permanganate, 16.13 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage purity of the peroxide.
- 345 Calculate the volume strength of a solution of hydrogen peroxide, 10 c.c. of which were diluted to 250 c.c. with distilled water and 25 c.c. samples of the diluted solution titrated with 1.023 N/10 potassium permanganate solution, requiring 13.32 c.c.
- 346 4.12 gm. of anhydrous ferrous sulphate which had become partly oxidised was dissolved in 250 c.c. of water and the ferrous iron determined by direct titration of 25 c.c. samples with 1.07 N/10 potassium dichromate solution, an average volume of 18.73 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage of ferrous sulphate in the sample.
- 347 0.3182 gm. of an iron ore were dissolved in acid and the ferrous iron determined by titration with 1.015 N/10 potassium dichromate solution, 16.49 c.c. being required. The total iron was determined by weighting out a further 1.8259 gm. of the same ore, dissolving in acid, reducing, diluting to 250 c.c. and titrating 50 c.c. samples with the same standard dichromate solution. 19.70 c.c. were required. Calculate the percentage of ferrous and of ferric iron in the ore.
- 348 0.47 gm. of powdered zinc was placed in a flask with 50 c.c. of .98 N/2 potassium dichromate solution. Dilute acid was then added until the zinc dissolved, when the solution was made up to 250 c.c. 10 c.c. portions of 1.16 N/10 ferrous sulphate solution were titrated with this solution, an average volume of 16.3 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage purity of the zinc.
- A quantity of ferrous ammonium sulphate was weighed out and dissolved in a litre of distilled water. 50 c.c. of this solution were titrated against .0941 N KMnO₄ solution, 24.32 c.c. being required. A further 50 c.c. of the ferrous ammonium sulphate solution was titrated against K₂Cr₂O₇ solution using an external indicator, when 31.45 c.c. were required. Calculate the normality of the K₂Cr₂O₇ solution.
- The chromium in 0.6515 gm, of a chromium mineral was oxidised to chromate and converted to dichromate. 75 c.c. of a standard ferrous sulphate solution were added and the excess ferrous sulphate determined by titration with 1.016 N/10 potassium dichromate, 4.21 c.c. being required. 25 c.c. of the ferrous sulphate solution were equivalent to 44.19 c.c. of the potassium dichromate. Calculate the percentage of Cr₂O₃ in the mineral.

IODINE TITRATIONS

- 351 0.195 gm. of pure MnO₂ was heated with an excess of concentrated HCl and the gas evolved passed into KI solution. How much 1.126 N/10 thiosulphate solution would be required to titrate the iodine liberated?
- 352 0.203 gm. of impure manganese dioxide was heated with hydrochloric acid and the chlorine evolved passed into a solution of potassium iodide. The iodine thus liberated required 21.5 of .97 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution. What is the percentage purity of the manganese dioxide?
- 5.0321 gm. of a Cu ore were dissolved in acid and the solution made up to 250 c.c. To 25 c.c. after neutralisation, excess KI was added and the liberated iodine titrated with 1.035 N/10 Na₂S₂O₃, 24.46 c.c. being required. Find the percentage of copper in the ore.
- 10.38 gm. of crystallised potassium cupric sulphate were dissolved in water and the salt made up to 250 c.c. 50 c.c. of the solution were treated with an excess of potassium iodide and the liberated iodine titrated with a solution of sodium thiosulphate, 23.95 c.c. being required. The percentage of copper in the salt is 14.3. Calculate the normality of the thiosulphate.
- 25 c.c. of .98 N/10 K₂Cr₂O₇ were added to excess acidified KI and required 23.1 c.c. thiosulphate to titrate the liberated iodine. 1.591 gm. of a Cu ore were dissolved in acid and made up to 250 c.c. 50 c.c. of this solution, neutralised and added to KI solution, required 24.69 c.c. of the same thiosulphate to decolorise the iodine. Find the percentage of Cu in the ore.
- 356 10 c.c. of a mixture of copper sulphate CuSO₄.5H₂O and sodium chloride were dissolved in water and treated with excess potassium iodide, the iodine liberated requiring 48 c.c. of 0.13 N thiosulphate. Calculate the percentage of each salt in the mixture.
- 357 0.3471 gm. of lead peroxide was heated with hydrochloric acid and the chlorine evolved passed into excess potassium iodide solution and the iodine liberated titrated with .9956 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution, 19.80 c.c. being required. What was the percentage of lead peroxide in the sample?
- 358 0.32 gm. of a sample of bleaching powder were treated with sulphuric acid and the chlorine evolved led into a solution of potassium iodide. The liberated iodine was titrated with .982 N/10 thiosulphate and required 26.40 c.c. What was the percentage of available chlorine in the bleaching powder?
- 359 0.2143 gm. of a chlorate was weighted out and heated with excess potassium iodide and hydrochloric acid solution in a pressure bottle and afterwards made up to 250 c.c. and

titrated in 50 c.c. samples against .9956 N/10 sodium thiosulphate, 16.95 c.c. being required. In a blank titration in which approximately the same amounts of potassium iodide and hydrochloric acid were heated together 4.18 c.c. of thiosulphate was required for the whole of the iodine set free. Calculate the percentage of chlorate in the sample.

- of caustic soda solution, neutralised, some sodium bicarbonate added, and made up to 250 c.c. This solution was now titrated against 25 c.c. samples of a .8598 N/10 iodine solution, 29.46 c.c. being required. What was the purity of the arsenious oxide?
- 7.2014 gm, of bleaching powder were dissolved in water and the solution made up to one litre. 50 c.c. portions were taken, an excess of potassium iodide added and the solution strongly acidified. The iodine set free required 29.80 c.c. of .9956 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution. Calculate the percentage available chlorine in the bleaching powder.
- 362 0.3545 gm. of sodium sulphite crystals was weighed into 50 c.c. of standard iodine solution when the excess iodine required 7.30 c.c. of .9956 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution for titration. 25 c.c. of the iodine solution were equivalent to 17.15 c.c. of the same thiosulphate. Calculate the percentage purity of the crystals.
- What is the percentage of copper in an ore, 0.5918 gm. of which, when dissolved in acid and excess potassium iodide added, liberated sufficient iodine to react with 24.69 c.c. of .9956 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution?
- 2.134 gm. of a soluble antimony compound were dissolved in water, made up to 250 c.c. and 25 c.c. portions determined by titration with 1.243 N/10 iodine solution, 23.4 c.c. being an average value for a titration. Calculate the percentage of antimony in the compound.
- 365 3.584 gm. of impure sodium sulphide were dissolved in water and the solution made up to 250 c.c. As a mean of three titrations it was found that after acidification 25 c.c. of this solution required 25.72 c.c. of .97 N/10 iodine solution. What is the percentage of sodium sulphide in the salt?

SILVER TITRATIONS

- Calculate the percentage of pure sodium chloride in a sample of salt from the following data:—0.1843 gm. of salt dissolved in water required 26.6 c.c. of 1.17 N/10 silver nitrate solution to precipitate all the chloride.
- Calculate the concentration of a solution of ammonium chloride, 50 c.c. of which required 37.6 c.c. of N/10 AgNO₃ for titration.

- 368 0.1625 gm. of a metallic chloride was dissolved in water and added to 50 c.c. of N/10 AgNO₃ solution. The excess silver nitrate was titrated with .95 N/10 ammonium thiocyanate, of which 21.05 c.c. were required. Calculate the equivalent weight of the metal.
- 869 250 c.c. of London tap water were analysed for chlorine by direct titration with .9783 N/100 silver nitrate solution. As a mean of several titrations it was found that 12.63 c.c. were required. Calculate the concentration of chlorine in tap water expressed as parts of chlorine per 100,000 parts of water.
- 870 50 c.c. of a solution containing sodium and potassium chlorides gave on evaporation, 0.1500 gm. of the mixed anhydrous chlorides. 50 c.c. of this same solution required 24.2 c.c. of 0.985 N/10 AgNO₃ solution to precipitate all the chlorine as silver chloride. Calculate the weight of NaCl and KCl per litre of solution.
- An English silver coin (1915) weighing 1.1957 gm. was dissolved in acid and the solution made up to 250 c.c. 50 c.c. portions of this solution were found to require on the average 11 83 c.c. of .9376 N/10 ammonium thiocyanate solution for titration. Calculate the percentage of silver in the coin.
- 372 0.196 gm. of the chloride of a quadrivalent metal was taken and 30 c.c. of an N/10 silver nitrate solution required for the complete precipitation of the chloride. Calculate the molecular weight of the chloride.
- A silver coin weighing 12.327 gm. was dissolved in HNO, and the solution evaporated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in H₂O and made up to a litre. 25 c.c. of this solution react with 23.5 c.c. of 1.023 N/10 NaCl solution. Calculate the percentage of silver in the coin.
- 25 c.c. of a solution of hydrogen chloride were added to 50 c.c. of 0.099 N-silver nitrate. After filtration, the excess of silver nitrate on titration required 21.7 c.c. of 0.105 N ammonium thiocyanate. A second quantity of 25 c.c. of the same hydrochloric acid was added to 0.1122 gm. of a metallic carbonate. The excess of acid required 3.85 c.c. of 0.11 N -NaOH for neutralisation. Calculate the equivalent weight of the metal in the carbonate.
- 375 1.33 gm. of a mixture of sodium and potassium chlorides were dissolved in water and treated with AgNO₃ in excess. The precipitate weighed 2.87 gm. Find the weight of NaCl in the mixture.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 376 20 c.c. of a solution of sulphur dioxide required 28.65 c.c. of a 1.04 N/10 iodine solution for titration. Calculate the concentration of the sulphur dioxide in grams per litre of solution.
- 377 0.2214 gm. of the carbonate of a metal were dissolved in 50 c.c. of N/10 HCl and the excess acid titrated with .98 N/10 alkali, 20.4 c.c. being required. The sulphate of the metal is isomorphous with anhydrite (CaSO₄). What is the atomic weight of the metal?
- 378 0-4571 gm. of an alloy of aluminium and magnesium was dissolved in 50 c.c. of .97 N hydrochloric acid. The excess acid required 43.2 c.c. of a 1.13 N/10 caustic soda solution for titration What is the composition of the alloy?
- 379 1.1797 gm. of mercuric oxide were dissolved in acid and made up to 250 c.c. with distilled water. 50 c.c. portions were titrated with .9376 N/10 ammonium thiocyanate solution, 22.94 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage of mercury in the oxide.
- 380 0.191 gm. of the mixed oxalates of sodium and potassium require for oxidation 30 c.c. of .87 A'/10 KMnO₄. What is the percentage of the sodium salt in the mixture?
- 381 25 c.c. of a volatile acid of density 1.56 were neutralised by running in at a uniform rate of 2 c.c. per second (a) 22.47 c.c. of 10 N alkali and (b) 40.03 c.c. of 5 N alkali. Calculate (a) the equivalent weight of the acid and (b) the rate at which it is evaporating (assuming this to be constant).
- 382 0-1233 gm. of an antimony ore was reduced to the trivalent state and titrated with a solution of potassium bromate, 14-59 c.c. being required. The bromate solution was standardised by titration with pure metallic antimony, 0-1691 gm. of Sb requiring 27-61 c.c. Calculate the percentage of antimony in the ore.
- 383 0.2266 gm. of the chloride of a metal was dissolved in water and the chloride precipitated after acidification by the addition of 50 c.c of .9783 N/10 silver nitrate solution. The precipitate was filtered off and the excess of silver nitrate determined by titration with .9376 N/10 ammonium thiocyanate solution, 10.88 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage of chloride in the salt.
- 384 0.4716 gm. of a chromium containing mineral was oxidised with sodium peroxide and the resulting sodium chromate acidified and 50 c.c. of 0.1382 N ferrous ammonium sulphate solution added. The excess ferrous ammonium sulphate required 18.45 c.c. of 0.099 N potassium permanganate for oxidation. Calculate the percentage of chromium in the mineral.

- 385 0-8976 gm. of a tin ore was converted to an acid solution of stannic chloride and reduced with metallic antimony. The stannous chloride was now titrated with -3258 N/10 iodine solution, 55-66 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage of tin in the ore.
- 386 0.68 gm. of calcium carbonate were dissolved in acid and the calcium precipitated by ammonium oxalate. The calcium oxalate was decomposed with dilute acid, the liberated oxalic acid made up to 250 c.c. and 25 c.c. portions titrated with .99 N/10 potassium permanganate solution, 11.7 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage of purity of the carbonate.
- 4.5278 gm. of sodium nitrite were dissolved in water and the solution made up to one litre. 25 c.c. portions were mixed with 25 c.c. portions of a solution of hydroxylamine hydrochloride and the excess hydroxylamine determined by titration with 1.071 N/10 caustic soda solution, 32.27 c.c. being required. 25 c.c. of the hydroxylamine solution were equivalent to 47.54 c.c. of the same caustic soda solution. Calculate the percentage purity of the nitrite.
- of an acidified ferrous sulphate solution (1.21 N/10). After completion of the reaction the excess of FeSO₄ was determined by titration with 1.02 N/10 potassium permanganate, 8.69 c.c. being required. Calculate the percentage purity of the persulphate.
- 389 0.7632 gm. of a sample of linseed cake was heated with acid and metallic copper to reduce the organic nitrogen to ammonia. Excess caustic soda was added and the ammonia distilled into 25 c.c. of .5488 N sulphuric acid. After all the ammonia had been evolved 99.43 c.c. of 1.071 N/10 caustic soda were required to titrate the excess acid. Calculate the percentage of nitrogen in the linseed cake.
- 390 0.5746 gm of a zinc ore were dissolved in acid, metallic impurities removed and the solution titrated with a standard solution of potassium ferrocyanide (0.2456 gm. Zn ≅ 24.55 c.c. ferrocyanide) using uranyl nitrate as indicator, 26.45 c.c. being required. The equation for the reaction is:—

 $2K_4Fe(CN)_6 + 3ZnCl_2 = Zn_3K_2(Fe(CN)_6)_2 + 6KCl$. Calculate the percentage of zinc in the ore.

CHAPTER VII

THERMOCHEMISTRY

HEAT OF REACTION

It is a matter of common experience that heat is given out in many chemical reactions. Thus the reaction:—

$$C + O_2 = CO_2$$

is chiefly important, not because carbon may be made to combine with oxygen to form carbon dioxide, but because energy is given out in the form of heat and can be used for warming purposes or converted into mechanical

energy by means of engines.

This is not an isolated example of a reaction that produces heat, oxidation as a rule has this effect and heat production can be demonstrated in coal dust or in damp hay. In other cases, too, heat is absorbed during a reaction and the temperature of the reacting substances falls below that of their surroundings. general an evolution or absorption of heat accompanies a chemical reaction. If heat is given out, the reaction is said to be exothermic, if heat is absorbed it is endothermic. Chemical reaction thus causes a redistribution of energy as well as of matter. Evolution or absorption of heat is not necessarily a sign of chemical reaction, as there is heat produced or used in many physical processes, such as evaporation, melting, solution, transformation from one modification into another.

The ordinary chemical equation such as that above represents only the redistribution of matter, but takes no account of that of energy; it is governed by the law of conservation of mass which states that the total mass of

the products of the reaction must be the same as the total mass of the reacting substances. There is, however, also the law of conservation of energy according to which the amount of energy before the reaction is equal to In order to show the obedithat after the reaction. ence of a reaction to the law of conservation of energy, a thermochemical equation may be written thus :-

 $C+O_2 = CO_2+Q$

where Q represents the heat absorbed or (in this case) evolved in a reaction. Such an equation represents the redistribution of energy as well as of matter during the reaction.

Just as the ordinary chemical equation has a quantitative significance, so has the thermochemical equation, the value of Q being constant for any given reaction. rate at which a chemical reaction is allowed to take place has no effect on the total amount of heat consumed or

produced.

The unit of heat is the calorie, or gram calorie, which is the amount of heat necessary to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water 1° Centigrade at 15°C. Often, too, the kilogram calorie is used; it is the heat required to raise the temperature of 1 kilogram of water one degree Centigrade and is thus equal to 1,000 gm. calories. While in physical measurements the unit of weight is 1 gram, in chemistry 1 molecular weight of the substance under consideration is naturally selected. example above, Q has the value, 96,400 calories. means that on the combustion of 12 grams of carbon to form 44 grams of carbon dioxide, 96,400 calories of heat (enough heat to raise the temperature of 96,400 gm. of water one degree Centigrade) are evolved. 96,400 calories is known as the heat of reaction for the equation. If heat had been absorbed, the heat of reaction would, of course, have had a negative value. Thus:-

 $C+S_2 = CS_2-28,700$ calories.

The measurement of heats of reaction is made by means of a calorimeter, in which the reaction is made to take place in a small vessel which can be placed inside another containing water. The heat produced or consumed in the reaction is measured by the change in temperature of the

known weight of water in the outer vessel.

The heat of reaction for the neutralisation of an acid by a base is usually expressed in terms of equivalent instead of molecular quantities. The heat of neutralisation is thus defined as that amount of heat which is evolved on neutralising an acid with a base in dilute solution with the formation of one gram equivalent of neutral salt. In accordance with the law of conservation of energy, when a reaction is capable of reversal, the addition of that amount of heat which it develops on going to completion in one direction will exactly suffice to drive it in the opposite direction. The heat that is added being simply used to restore the amount of energy to its original value. Thus the combination of mercury and oxygen has a heat of reaction of +30,600 cals.

$$Hg + O \rightleftharpoons HgO + 30,600$$
 cals.

The decomposition of mercuric oxide will thus be an endothermic reaction in which 30,600 cals are absorbed.

INTRINSIC ENERGY

Since the union of elements, such as between mercury and oxygen or between carbon and oxygen, can take place with the evolution of heat, it is evident that the elements themselves possess a certain amount of energy termed their intrinsic energy. The total intrinsic energy possessed by any particular element cannot be determined, but this is of little importance as we are concerned only with the differences of energy in thermochemical considerations. The intrinsic energy associated with each element is arbitrarily taken as the zero. When an element has several allotropic modifications there is a measurable difference in the intrinsic energies of the different forms. In such a case the energy content of the commonest form (e.g., rhombic sulphur, yellow phosphorus) is taken as zero. In the equation:—

$$2H_2 + O_2 = 2H_2O + 136,800$$
 calories

the heat of reaction is 136,800 calories. Therefore for every molecule of water produced, 68,400 calories of heat will be evolved. The heat evolved (or absorbed) in the formation of one gram molecule of a compound from its elements is known as the heat of formation of the compound. Thus the heat of formation of water is 68,400 cals. In most cases heat is evolved and the compound (like the reaction) is termed exothermic, otherwise heat is absorbed and the compound (like the reaction) is endothermic.

Now let us suppose that the heat of formation of a substance AB is Q, calories or

$$A+B=AB+Q,$$

and let x be the intrinsic energy of one gm. molecule of the compound AB. The intrinsic energies of the elements A and B are, by definition, zero. If now the law of conservation of energy is valid, then the total amount of energy before and after the reaction will be the same; hence for A + B = AB + Q,

$$0 + 0 = x + Q,$$

$$x = -Q \text{ calories.}$$

This means that the intrinsic energy of a compound has the same magnitude as its heat of formation, but with

the sign reversed.

Example. On the interaction of one molecule of sulphur trioxide with water to form sulphuric acid, 21,320 calories of heat are evolved. If the heat of formation of anhydrous sulphuric acid is 192,000 calories and that of water is 68,400 calories, calculate the heat of formation of sulphur trioxide

$$SO_3 + H_2O = H_2SO_4 + 21,320$$
 cals.

Then if x = the intrinsic energy of SO₃ x-68,400 = -192,900+21,820

x = -103,180 calories

and the heat of formation of SO₃ : +103,120 cals.

PHYSICAL HEAT EFFECTS

In order to make a thermochemical equation quite definite, the physical state of the participating substances must be indicated; thus:—

 $H_{2(gas)} + \frac{1}{2}O_{2(gas)} = H_2O_{(varour)} + 58,700$ calories,

means that 58,700 calories of heat are evolved in the formation of one gram molecule of steam from gaseous hydrogen and oxygen. If the water condenses to the liquid state its (molecular) latent heat of condensation will be given out (i.e., the heat liberated on the condensation of 18 grams of steam = 9,700 calories) and this will naturally be associated with the heat of formation of the water. On the formation of 1 gram molecule of liquid water from gaseous hydrogen and oxygen, therefore 58,700+9,700=68,400 calories of heat will be evolved. This may be expressed,

 $H_{2(gas)} + \frac{1}{2}O_{2(gas)} = H_2O_{(liquid)} + 68,400$ calories.

Similar adjustments have to be made for latent heats of fusion and for the heats of transformation of one variety of a substance into another.

When substances dissolve in water there is always an energy change, the amount of heat liberated or absorbed on solution of one gram molecule of substance in excess of water being known as its heat of solution. In the same way as in the case of latent heats, the heat of solution of a substance must be taken into account when reactions in solutions are considered. Heats of solution may be expressed:—

KCl + Aq = $KCl_{aq} - 4,400$ cals. $MgSO_{4anhvl} + Aq$ = $MgSO_{4aq} + 20,280$ cals. $MgSO_{4} \cdot 7H_{2}O + Aq$ = $MgSO_{4aq} - 3,800$ cals.

The importance of the heats of solution in calculations involving solutions is shown by the two following equations:—

 $NaOH_{aq} + HCl_{aq} = NaCl_{aq} + H_2O + 13,700 \text{ cals.}$ $NaOH_{aq} + HCl_{gas} = NaCl_{aq} + H_2O + 31,100 \text{ cals.}$

The difference between these two heats, namely, 31,000-13,700=17,400 calories actually represents the heat given out by one molecule of hydrochloric acid dissolving in water. The heat of solution of an electrolyte can be shown to be due to two effects, the actual energy required to separate the ions from the crystal lattice (lattice energy) and the work of separation of the ions

in the solution; the heat of solution has thus some dependence on concentration.

THE LAW OF HESS

The law of constant proportions states that if a compound is prepared in more than one way, its material composition is constant and independent of the method of preparation. The same is true of its energy content, the intrinsic energy being independent of the method of formation. This may be extended to chemical reactions in general and the law of Hess states that when a chemical change takes place, the total heat absorbed or evolved is the same, no matter what intermediate reactions there may have been, provided, of course, that no form of energy other than heat has been evolved or absorbed.

If the system A changes to the system B with a heat

evolution Q_{i}

 $A \rightarrow B+Q$

then Q is constant and independent of the method of carrying out the change. The law of Hess is a simple con-

sequence of the law of conservation of energy.

As an example we shall consider heat effects of the reaction between ammonia gas, hydrogen iodide gas and water to form ammonium iodide solution, the reaction being carried out in two ways. Firstly, if the gases unite and the resultant ammonium iodide is dissolved in water

+43,500 cals. $NH_{3 \text{ gas}} + HI_{\text{gas}} = NH_4I_{\text{solid}}$ 3,500 cals. $NH_4I_{\text{polid}} + H_2O = NH_4I_{\text{ad}}$ +40,000 cals. making a total change of

Secondly, if ammonia gas is dissolved in water, hydrogen iodide is dissolved in water and the two solutions mixed,

+ 8,400 cals. $NH_{3 gas} + H_2O = NH_{3 aq}$ +19,210 cals. $HI_{gas} + H_2O = HI_{aq}$ +12,400 cals. $NH_{3 aq} + HI_{aq} = NH_{4}I_{aq}$ +40,010 cals. making a total of

The difference between the amounts of heat evolved in carrying out the reaction in two different ways is thus only 10 calories, a quantity within the limit of the experimental error of the determinations involved.

INDIRECT DETERMINATION OF THE HEAT OF FORMATION

The law of Hess is of great use in determining the heats of formation of compounds for which this cannot be directly measured; this is the case especially with organic compounds for which the only quantity which is easily available for thermochemical measurement is the heat of combustion of the substance to carbon dioxide and water.

Example. Determine the heat of formation of formic acid from the following data:—

heat of combustion of formic acid = 62,900 cals. heat of formation of carbon dioxide = 96,600 cals. heat of formation of water = 68,400 cals.

$HCOOH + \frac{1}{2}O_2 = CO_2 + H_2O + Q$

Now the heat given out in the formation of CO_2+H_2O from their elements is 96,600+68,400 = 165,000 cals.

This means that the formation of CO₂+H₂O contributes 165,000 cals, out of the 62,900 evolved in the combustion, leaving -92,100 cals, resulting from the decomposition of formic acid.

Now the decomposition of 1 gm. mol. of formic acid is accompanied by an absorption of 92,100 cals. of heat, hence the formation of 1 gm. mol. of formic acid must be accompanied by an evolution of 92,100 calories.

... heat of formation of formic acid is +92,100 cals.

As the total amount of energy before the reaction must be equal to that after the reaction, the sum of the intrinsic energies of the reacting substances must be equal to the sum of the intrinsic energies of the resultants plus the heat of reaction.

Thus in the example above:-

HCOOH $+\frac{1}{2}O_2 = CO_2 + H_2O +62,900 \text{ cals.}$ Intrinsic energy $+ 0 = \frac{\text{Intrinsic}}{\text{energy CO}_2} + \frac{\text{Intrinsic}}{\text{energy H}_2O} + \frac{62,900 \text{ cals.}}{62,900 \text{ cals.}}$

Now the intrinsic energy of a compound is of the same magnitude as its heat of formation but with reverse sign.

: -heat of formation of HCOOH = -heat of formation of CO_2 -heat of formation of $H_2O + 62,900$ cals.

or heat of formation of $(CO_2 + H_2O)$ —heat of formation of HCOOH = 62,900 cals.

Or generally, the heat of reaction = the sum of the heats of formation of the products—the sum of the heats of formation of the reactants.

The easiest method of calculation of heats of formation or reaction is by means of this restatement of the law of conservation of energy.

e.g., in the above example, if x = the heat of forma-

tion of formic acid:

heats of formation of the products—heats of formation of reactants = heat of reaction

96,600+68,400-x=62,900

or x = 165,000 - 62,900 = 92,100 cals.

Example. Calculate the heat of formation of thiourea from the following data formation of:—

heat of combustion of thiourea = 341,900 cals.
heat of formation of water = 68,400 cals.
heat of formation of carbon dioxide = 96,400 cals.
heat of formation of sulphur dioxide = 71,100 cals.

 $CH_4N_2S+3O_2 = CO_2+2H_2O+SO_2+N_2+Q$ cals. Heats of formation of products—heats of formation of reactants = heat of reaction

 $CO_2 + 2H_2O + SO_2 + N_2 - CH_4N_2S$ $96,400+2\times68,400+71,100+O-x = 341,900$ $\therefore x = 96,400+2\times68,400+71,001-341,900$ = -37,400 cals.

Example. Calculate the heat of formation of sodium monoxide from the following data:—

 $2Na+2H_{s}O = 2NaOH_{sq}+H_{s}+88,200$ cals. $Na_{s}O+H_{s}O = 2NaOH_{sq}+56,500$ cals.

heat of formation of liquid water = 68,400 cals.

The heat of formation of one molecule of sodium hydroxide in solution should first be calculated. Let x = the heat of formation of NaOH_{aq}.

 $2Na+2H_2O = 2NaOH_{aq}+H_2+88,200$ cals. heats of formation of products—heats of formation of reactants = heat of reaction

 $2\text{NaOH}_{AQ} + \text{H}_2 - 2\text{Na} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (2x+0) $(0+2\times68,400) = 88,200$ x = 44,100+68,400= 112,500 cals. This may now be applied in the second equation to determine the heat of formation of sodium monoxide (y).

 $Na_2O + H_2O = 2NaOH_{aq} + 56,500$ cals.

Heats of formation of products—heats of formation of reactants
= heat of reaction

 $2NaOH_{aq}$ Na_2O+H_2O $(2 \times 112,500)$ - (y+68,400) = 56,500 y = 225,000 - (68,400+56,500)= 100,100 cals.

Example. Determine the heat of formation of sulphuryl chloride from the following data:—

SO₂Cl₃+2H₂O = H₂SO_{4aq} +2HCl_{aq} + 62,900 cals. heat of formation of anhydrous sulphuric acid = 192,900 cals. heat of solution of hydrochloric acid = 22,000 cals. heat of solution of hydrochloric acid = 17,850 cals, heat of solution of hydrochloric acid = 17,300 cals.

heat of formation of anhydrous $H_2SO_4 = 192,900$ cals. and heat of solution of $H_2SO_4 = 17,850$ cals.

; heat of formation of H_3SO_{489} = 210,750 cals.

heat of formation of HCl gas = 22,000 cals. = 17,300 cals.

... heat of formation of HClaq = 39,300 cals.

 $SO_2Cl_2+2H_2O = H_2SO_{4aq} + 2HCl_{aq} + 62,900 \text{ cals.}$

Heats of formation of products—heats of formation of reactants = heat of reaction

 $H_2SO_{4aq}+2HCl_{aq}-SO_2Cl_2+2H_2O = 62,900$ $(210,750+2\times39,300)-(x+2\times68,400) = 62,900.$ $\therefore x = 89,650 \text{ cals.}$

INDIRECT DETERMINATION OF HEATS OF REACTION

The law of Hess may also be applied to the calculation of heats of reaction and other thermal effects when these cannot be measured directly. Thus the heat of transformation of one allotropic modification of an element into another, or of one isomeric form of a compound into another may be calculated from the heats evolved when both forms are made to react separately with a common substance.

Example. The heat of formation of hydrogen selenide from amorphous selenium and hydrogen is -19,400 cals. and from metallic selenium and hydrogen, -25,100 cals.

Calculate the heat of transformation of amorphous to metallic selenium.

The heat of formation of H₂Se from amorphous Se is -19,400 cals.

the intrinsic energy of H₂Se is +19,400 cals. more than that of amorphous Se.

The heat of formation of H₂Se from metallic Se is -25,100

cals.

The intrinsic energy of H_2Se is +25,100 cals more than that of metallic Se.

: intrinsic energy of amorphous Se is 25,100-19,400 = 5,700 cals, more than that of metallic Se.

and the transformation Se (amorphous)-Se (metallic) would be

accompanied by the evolution of 5,700 calories of heat.

It is often difficult to make direct measurements of the heat of neutralisation of the bases of heavy metals as these may be soluble in acids, only with difficulty and the reactions do not lead to the complete formation of neutral salts owing to hydrolysis. In these cases therefore and in other reactions which do not go to completion, the heat of reaction must be calculated indirectly.

Example. The decomposition of one gram molecule of stannous chloride by sodium hydroxide in dilute aqueous solution is accompanied by an evolution of 24,700 cals. of heat. The heat of neutralisation of one equivalent of sodium hydroxide by hydrochloric acid is 13,700 cals. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of a gram equivalent of hydrochloric acid with stannous hydroxide.

The decomposition of stannous chloride by sodium hydroxide may be written:—

 $SnCl_{2aq} + 2NaOH_{aq} = Sn(OH)_{2aq} + 2NaCl$. (a)

Now this reaction can be regarded as taking place in two stages,

 $2NaOH_{aq} + 2HCl_{aq} = 2NaCl_{aq} 2H_2O$ (b)

and $SnCl_{2aq}+2H_2O = Sn(OH)_{2aq}+2HCl_{aq}$ (c)

Of these (c) is the reverse of the neutralisation of 2 equivalents of HCl by $Sn(OH)_2$ and the heat relations of (a) and (b) are given. Let x = the heat of neutralisation of 1 gram equivalent of HCl by $Sn(OH)_2$ then in reaction (c) -2x cals. of heat are evolved.

In reaction (b) 2 \times the heat of neutralisation = $2\times13,700 = 27,400$ cals. are evolved and in reaction (a) 24,700 cals.

Now, by the law of Hess, the heat evolved in (a) = heat evolved in (b)+(c)

 $\therefore 24,700 = 27,400 - 2x$

x = 1,350 cals.

The heat of neutralisation of one gram equivalent weight of hydrochloric acid by stannous hydroxide is thus 1,350 cals.

PROBLEMS ON THERMOCHEMISTRY

(The answers to problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- What weight of water could be converted from ice at 0°C. to steam at 100°C. by the combustion of 1,000 litres of hydrogen at N.T.P.? Heat of combustion of hydrogen = 68,400 cals.; latent heat of fusion of ice = 79 cals./gm.; latent heat of vaporisation of water = 539.0 cals./gm.
- 392 The heat of combustion of ammonia is 91,000 cals.; the heat of formation of water is 68,400 cals. Calculate the heat of formation of ammonia.
- The heat of combustion of cyanogen is 262,000 cals.; the heat of formation of carbon dioxide is 96,400 cals. Calculate the heat of formation of cyanogen.
- What weight of water could be converted into steam at 100°C. from 18°C. by the combustion of 5 Kgm. of coke containing 89% carbon, the rest being ash. Heat of combustion of carbon = 97,300 cals.
- 395 Determine the heat of formation of carbon dioxide from the following data:—

wt. of carbon burnt = 10 gm.
wt. of H₂O in calorimeter = 8.4 Kgm.
initial temp. = 12°C.
final temp. = 21.5°C.
water equivalent of calorimeter = 160 cals.

- Circulate the heat of reaction of $Cu+N_2O=CuO+N_2+Q$ cals. The heat of formation of N_2O is -17,700 cals., that of CuO is +37,200 cals.
- What is the heat of the reaction $PCl_5 + H_2O = POCl_5 + 2HCl$, given the following heats of formation: $PCl_5 = 107,000$ cals.; $POCl_5 = 145,000$ cals.; HCl = 22,000 cals.; $H_2O = 58,100$ cals.
- Calculate the heat of the reaction $B_2O_3+3Mg=3MgO+2B$. The heat of formation of $B_2O_3=272,600$ cals., that of MgO = 143,300 cals.

399 The heat of combustion of diamond is 94,430 cals., that of graphite 94,260 cals., and of amorphous carbon is 96,700 cals. Calculate the heat of transformation of amorphous carbon to diamond and to graphite.

400 The heat of formation of phosphorus nitride P₃N₅ was found by Stock to be 81,500 cals. from white phosphorus and 70,400 cals. from red phosphorus. Calculate the heat of transforma-

tion of white to red phosphorus.

401 Calculate the weight of water that could be raised 40°C. by burning the acetylene obtainable from 100 gm. of carbide on treatment with water. The heat of combustion of acetylene is 312,000 cals.

- Both benzene and dipropargyl have the formula C₆H₆. The heat of combustion of benzene vapour is 788,000 cals. and that of dipropargyl vapour is 854,000 cals. The heat of formation of water is 68,400 cals. and that of CO₂ 96,400 cals. Compare the heats of formation of the two bydrocarbons.
- 403 The heat of formation of water vapour is 58,100 cals., that of carbon dioxide is 97,300 cals. The heat of combustion of oxalic acid to liquid water and CO₂ is 69,900 cals. If the latent heat of water is 9,700 cals. per gm. molecule, calculate the heat of formation of oxalic acid.
- 404 The heat of combustion of a molecular weight of acetone vapour is 437,300 cals., the heat of formation of water is 68,400 cals. and that of carbon dioxide is 96,400 cals. Calculate the heat of formation of acetone.
- The heats of formation of anhydrous magnesium sulphate is 302,310 cals. and its heat of solution is +20,280 cals. The heats of solution of hydrates containing 1, 4, 6 and 7 molecules of water of crystallisation are +13,300, +4,330, -100 and -3,800 cals. respectively. Calculate the heats of hydration of these hydrates.

406 Phthalic acid (C₆H₆O₄) has a heat of combustion = 771,800

cals.

 $2H_2 + O_2 = 2H_2O + 136,800$ cals.

 $C+O_2 = CO_2+96,400$ cals. Calculate the heat of formation of the acid.

407 Calculate the heat of formation of pyridine C₅H₅N from the following data:—

Heat of formation of water = 68,400 cals. heat of formation of carbon dioxide = 96,400 cals. heat of combustion of pyridine = 659,000 cals.

Veronal (C₈H₁₂O₃N₂) has a heat of combustion = 4,122,000 cals. The heats of formation of carbon dioxide and of water are 96,400 cals, and 68,400 cals, respectively. Calculate the heat of formation of veronal.

From the following data determine the heat of formation of anhydrous hydrochloric acid:—
heat of neutralization of hydrochloric acid by caustic soda
soda = 13,780 cals.
heat of formation of aqueous caustic soda = 111,800 cals.
heat of formation of sodium chloride = 97,700 cals.
heat of solution of sodium chloride = -1,200 cals.
heat of formation of water = 68,400 cals.
heat of solution of hydrochloric acid = 17,300 cals.

410 From the following data calculate the heat of formation of anhydrous lithium sulphate:—

Heat of neutralisation of 1 equivalent of sulphuric acid by LiOH = 15,640 cals. heat of formation of aqueous lithium hydroxide = 121,600 cals. heat of formation of anhydrous H₂SO₄ = 192,900 cals. heat of solution of lithium sulphate Li₂SO₄ = 6,050 cals. heat of formation of water = 68,400 cals. heat of solution of sulphuric acid = 17,850 cals.

- 411 Calculate the heat of formation of carbonyl sulphide from the following data:—
 heat of combustion of carbonyl sulphide = 131,000 cals.
 heat of formation of carbon dioxide = 96,400 cals.
 heat of formation of sulphur dioxide = 71,000 cals.
- Phenol mustard oil has the formula C₇H₅NS and evolves 1,024,300 cals, on the combustion of one gm. molecule. The heats of formation of carbon dioxide, water and sulphur dioxide are 96,400, 68,400 and 71,100 cals, respectively. Calculate the heat of formation of the compound.
- Calculate the heat of formation of hexachlorbenzene (C₆Cl₆) from the following data:—

 heat of combustion of hexachlorbenzene = 509,000 cals.
 heat of formation of carbon dioxide = 96,400 cals.
- 414 From the following data calculate the heat of formation of anhydrous sulphuric acid:---

heat of neutralisation of 1 gm. equivalent of sulphuric acid by sodium hydroxide = 15,700 cals. heat of formation of aqueous caustic soda = 111,800 cals. heat of formation of sodium sulphate = 328,600 cals. heat of solution of sodium sulphate = 780 cals. heat of formation of water = 68,400 cals. heat of solution of sulphuric acid = 17,850 cals.

Methyl mercaptan (CH₄S) has heat of combustion = 298,800 cals. The heats of formation of water, CO₂ and of sulphur dioxide are 68,400 cals. 96,400 cals. and 71,000 cals. respectively. Calculate the heat of formation of the mercaptan.

416 Calculate the heat of formation of NO from the following determinations of Berthelot:—

 $C_2N_2+4NO=3N_2+2CO_2+349,200$ cals. $C_2N_2+2O_2=N_2+2CO_2+261,800$ cals.

417 Calculate the heat of formation of phosphorus oxybromide from the following data:—

POBr₃+3H₂O = 3HBr_{aq}+H₃PO_{4aq} + 79,700 cals. heat of formation of water = 68,400 cals. heat of formation of aqueous HBr = 28,340 cals. heat of formation of aqueous H₃PO₄ = 305,300 cals.

419 Calculate the heat of formation of anhydrous cobalt chloride from the following data:—

 $Co+2HCl+aq = CoCl_{2AQ}+H_2$ + 15,070 cals. heat of formation of HCl = 39,310 cals. heat of solution of $CoCl_2$ = 18,340 cals.

419 From the following data determine the heat of formation of mercuric cyanide:—

 $HgCl_{2aq}+4KCN_{aq}=Hg(CN)_3\cdot 2KCN_{aq}+2KCl_{aq}+45,580$ cals. $Hg(Cn)_2\cdot 2KCN_{aq}+HgCl_{2aq}=2Hg(CN)_2+2KCl_{aq}+22,000$ cals. heat of formation of $HgCl_{2aq}=99,600$ cals. heat of formation of $KCl_{aq}=99,600$ cals. heat of formation of $KCN_{aq}=99,600$ cals. heat of formation of $KCN_{aq}=99,600$ cals.

470 Calculate the heat of formation of anhydrous aluminium chloride from the following data:—

Al+3HCl_{aq} = AlCl_{3 aq}+1 $\frac{1}{2}$ H₂

heat of formation of HCl

heat of solution of AlCl_{3 aq}

+ 119,880 cals.

= 39,310 cals.

= 76,845 cals.

421 Calculate the heat of formation of Mg₂S₂O₆.6H₂O from the following data:—

Ba₂S₂O_{68q}+MgSO_{8q} = Mg₂S₂O_{68q}+BaSO₄ + 5,460 cals. heat of formation of BaSO₄ = +340,200 cals. heat of formation of MgSO₄ = +322,590 cals. heat of formation of Ba₂S₂O₆ heat of solution of Mg₂S₂O₆.6H₂O = -21,960 cals.

- 422 67,600 cals. of heat are evolved in the interaction of one molecular weight of sodium peroxide with zinc to form sodium zincate; the heat of formation of sodium peroxide is 119,800 cals. Calculate the heat of formation of sodium zincate.
- The heats of formation of sodium tungstate, sodium peroxide and sodium monoxide are 389,200 cals., 119,800 cals. and 100,700 cals. respectively. What amount of heat is given out by the formation of one molecule of sodium tungstate from metallic tungsten and sodium peroxide?

424 From the following data calculate the heat of formation of neodymium sulphide:—

 $Nd_2S_3 + 6HCl_{aq} = 2NdCl_{3aq} + 3H_2S_{aq}$ + 75,808 cals. $Nd_2O_3 + 6HCl_{aq} = 2NdCl_{3aq} + 3H_2O$ + 105,500 cals. heat of formation of aqueous H_2S = 9,500 cals. heat of formation of liquid H_2O = 68,400 cals. also on burning metallic neodymium in air to form one molecule of Nd_2O_3 , 435,100 cals, are evolved.

- 425 The heat evolved in the formation of one gm. molecule of silver oxide from silver fluoride and caustic potash in aqueous solution is 17,600 cals. The heat of neutralisation of hydrofluoric acid by caustic potash is 16,100 cals. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of silver oxide by hydrofluoric acid.
- The heat of decomposition of one gm. molecule of manganese chloride by potassium carbonate in aqueous solution is -4,000 cals. The heat of neutralisation of one gm. equivalent of manganese hydroxide (Mn(OH)₂) by carbonic acid is 6,615 cals., that of potassium hydroxide by carbonic acid is 10,100 cals. and that of potassium hydroxide by hydrochloric acid is 13,750 cals. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of manganese hydroxide by hydrochloric acid.
- The heat evolved in the decomposition of one gm. molecule of nickel sulphate by barium hydroxide is 10,630 cals. The heat of neutralisation of one gm. equivalent of barium hydroxide by sulphuric acid is 18,400 cals. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of one gm. equivalent of nickel hydroxide by sulphuric acid.
- The heat evolved on the decomposition of one gm. molecule of chromium fluoride in caustic soda solution is 23,700 cals., the heat of neutralisation of caustic soda by hydrofluoric acid is 16,270 cals. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of one gm. equivalent of chromium hydroxide by hydrofluoric acid.
- The decomposition of one gm. molecular weight of cadmium sulphate by barium hydroxide in aqueous solution results in the evolution of 13,070 cals. of heat. The heat of neutralisation of a gm. equivalent of barium hydroxide by sulphuric acid is 18,400 cals. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of cadmium hydroxide by sulphuric acid.
- The heat of decomposition of one gm. molecular weight of zinc sulphate by barium hydroxide in aqueous solution is 5,770 cals. The heat of neutralisation of one gm. equivalent of barium hydroxide by sulphuric acid 8,450 cals. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of zinc hydroxide by sulphuric acid.

MISCELLANEOUS PROBLEMS

(Answers to those problems with odd numbers will be found at the end of the book)

- 431 31 c.c. of a mixture of nitrous oxide and oxygen were mixed with 50 c.c. of hydrogen and passed through a heated platinum capillary to effect combustion. The volume contracted to 28 c.c. What was the volume of nitrous oxide in the mixture?
- 432 0.128 gm. of a substance is vaporised in the Victor Meyer apparatus, expelling 31.7 c.c. of air, measured over water at 18° and 768 mm. If the normal molecular weight of the substance is 162, and each molecule dissociates into three dissociated molecules on complete dissociation, calculate the degree of dissociation of the substance.
- 433 A gaseous organic compound containing 38.71% of carbon, 16.13% of hydrogen and 45.16% of nitrogen has a rate of diffusion 0.254 times that of hydrogen. What is its molecular formula?
- A mixture of helium and nitrogen containing 10% of helium is passed through a porous tube. What is the percentage of helium in the gas diffusing through the tube? What would be the composition of the gas after four such treatments?
- Sulphur fluoride contains 21.9% of sulphur. If 47.5 c.c. of sulphur fluoride diffuse through an aperture in the same time as 86.5 c.c. of carbon dioxide, what is the molecule formula of sulphur fluoride?
- 131 100 c.c. of a gaseous hydrocarbon containing 85.8% of carbon diffuse through a porous plug in the same time as 98 c.c. of carbon dioxide. What would be the weight of 1 litre of the gas at 15° and 740 mm. pressure?
- 437 Find the vapour density of a substance, 0.114 gm. of which displaced 30.9 c.c. of air from a Victor Meyer apparatus, measurement being made over water at 15° and 760 mm. pressure.
- 438 A bulb used for a Dumas vapour density experiment weighed, full of air, 33·146 gm. Sealed, full of aluminium chloride vapour at 300° and 750 mm., it weighed 33·926 gm. The weight of the bulb filled with water was 213·1 gm. On treatment of 0·157 gm. of aluminium chloride with silver nitrate, 0·5050 gm. of silver chloride were obtained. Determine the molecular complexity of aluminium chloride.
- When 0.1045 gm. of a natural oil is vaporised in a Victor Meyer apparatus, 18.8 c.c. of air (moist, at 17° and 754 mm. pressure) are expelled. Find the molecular weight of the substance.

- 50 c.c. of a mixture of carbon dioxide, hydrogen and ethylene contracted on treatment with caustic potash to 26 c.c. 50 c.c. of oxygen were added. After sparking, the volume was 31 c.c., and contracted to 7 c.c. on further treatment with potash. What was the composition of the mixture?
- 441 15 c.c. of hydrogen were added to 25 c.c. of a mixture of nitrous oxide and nitrogen, and the gas passed through a heated platinum capillary. The volume contracted to 30 c c Find the proportion of nitrous oxide in the original gas.
- 442 A glass bulb (volume 360 c.c.) containing oxygen at N.T.P. weighs 10.9541 gm. Filled with ozonised oxygen at N.T.P., its weight is 10.9644 gm. Calculate the percentage of ozone in the gas. If the ozonised oxygen were passed through potassium iodide and the solution acidified, what volume of 0.91 N/10 sodium thiosulphate would be required to titrate the liberated iodine?
- 443 How much oxygen, measured at 15° and 750 mm. would be required for the combustion of 50 c.c. of arsenic hydride (at N.T.P.). How much 0.981 N/10 iodine solution would be required to oxidise the oxide of arsenic formed?
- Boron trichloride is hydrolysed by water to hydrochloric acid and boric acid, which does not react with sodium carbonate. 1240 c.c. of a mixture of boron trichloride vapour and hydrogen chloride gas, measured dry at 40°C. and 780 mm. pressure is absorbed in 200 c.c. of 0.530 N sodium carbonate solution. 27.2 c.c. of N/5 sulphuric acid were required to titrate the excess sodium carbonate, using methyl orange as indicator. Calculate the composition of the gas, by volume, and the volume of carbon dioxide at 20° and 740 mm. which it liberates from the sodium carbonate solution.
- 445 0.6703 gm. of a compound of cobalt chloride and ammonia were heated with concentrated caustic potash and the ammonia evolved led into 25 c.c. of N/2 sulphuric acid. 9.86 c.c. of 1.015 N/10 sodium hydroxide were required to neutralise the excess acid. By evaporation of 0.477 gm. of the compound with sulphuric acid, 0.3165 gm. of cobalt sulphate were obtained. Find the formula of the compound.
- 2,500 c.c. of a gas (measured at N.T.P.) containing hydrogen chloride were led through a bubbler containing 25 c.c. of 0.99 N/2 sodium hydroxide. 9.6 c.c. of N/2 sulphuric acid were subsequently needed to titrate the excess alkali. What was the concentration of hydrogen chloride in the gas?
- 447 2.285 gm, of a mixture of zinc oxide and zinc carbonate were dissolved in 50 c.c. of normal hydrochloric acid. 9.83

- c.c. of $0.995 \ N/2$ sodium hydroxide were needed to neutralise the excess acid. Find the proportion of zinc oxide in the mixture.
- 448 The solution obtained by treating 1.760 gm. of sodium amalgam with water neutralised 18.75 c.c. of 1.02 N/10 sulphuric acid. What percentage of sodium did the amalgam contain?
- 449 1-1 gm. of a mixture of anhydrous borax and caustic soda were dissolved in water and titrated with 1-1 N/2 sulphuric acid, using methyl orange as indicator. 22-7 c.c. of acid were required. Find the percentage of caustic soda in the mixture.
- 450 10.24 gm. of crude sodium carbonate crystals, contaminated with sodium sulphate and sodium hydroxide, were dissolved in water and the solution made up to 250 c.c. 50 c.c. of the solution titrated with 1.15 N/2 sulphuric acid required 13.64 c.c. of acid, using phenolphthalein as indicator, 25.3 c.c. using methyl orange. Find the composition of the sample taken.
- In the analysis of a manganese steel, the manganese in a 2.086 gm. sample was converted to permanganate, and the volume made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. of 1.004 N/10 ferrous sulphate solution required 47.2 c.c. of this solution for titration. Find the manganese content of the steel.
- 452 0.1024 gm. of pyrolusite were dissolved in 25 c.c. of 1.008 N/10 ferrous sulphate. The excess ferrous sulphate was titrated with 2.3 c.c. of 0.98 N/10 potassium permanganate solution. Find the percentage of manganese dioxide in the mineral.
- 453 0.2725 gm. of potassium persulphate (K₂S₂O₈) were dissolved in 25 c.c. of acidified 0.965 N/10 ferrous sulphate.
 4.60 c.c. of N/10 potassium dichromate were required to titrate the excess ferrous iron. Find the percentage purity of the potassium persulphate.
- 454 0.754 gm of red lead, containing as impurity some lead peroxide, were heated with concentrated hydrochloric acid in a stream of carbon dioxide. The chlorine evolved was absorbed in potassium iodide solution, and the liberated iodine titrated with 23.33 c.c. of 0.99 N/10 sodium thiosulphate. Find the percentage of PbO₂ in the red lead.
- of potassium iodide, iodine being liberated, and water and hydrofluoric acid being formed. The solution was neutralised and made up to 250 c.c., 36.05 c.c. of the solution neutralised and made up to 250 c.c., 36.05 c.c. of N/10 thioso made being required to react with 25 c.c. of N/10 thiosulphate. The vapour density of fluorine oxide is 27. Deduce its molecular formula.

Iodic acid reacts with hydriodic acid thus: $HIO_3 + 5HI = 3H_2O + 3I_2$. 0.112 gm. of sodium iodate were added to excess potassium iodide and the solution acidified. The iodine liberated reacted with 30.13 c.c. of 1.093 N/10 sodium thiosulphate solution. Find the percentage purity of the sodium iodate.

The iodine liberated by addition to 25 c.c. of potassium dichromate solution to excess of acidified potassium iodide reacted with 24.2 c.c. of sodium thiosulphate solution. 26.3 c.c. of the same thiosulphate decolorised the iodine liberated by 25 c.c. of a solution containing 0.855 gm. of sodium iodate in 250 c.c. Find the normality of the

potassium dichromate.

1.25 gm, of an impure sample of arsenious oxide were dissolved in sodium bicarbonate solution and made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. required 22.4 c.c. of 1.02 N/10 iodine for oxidation. What is the percentage purity of the arsenious oxide?

459 1 gm. of cadmium amalgam, dissolved in nitric acid and treated with hydrogen sulphide, yielded 1-1980 gm. of the mixed sulphides. What was the percentage composition of

the amalgam?

460 1.8 gm. of a mixture of barium and magnesium carbonates gave on heating 450 c.c. of carbon dioxide, measured at 13° and 750 mm. pressure. Find the percentage of barium carbonate in the mixture.

461 0.5296 gm. of a specimen of cast iron were heated in a stream of pure oxygen. The gases were led through a tube of potassium hydroxide which increased in weight 0.0488 gm. Calculate the percentage of carbon in the cast iron.

1 gm. of a mixture of sodium and potassium hydroxides was dissolved in water and exactly neutralised with sulphuric acid. An excess of barium chloride was added, and the precipitate, after washing and igniting, weighed 2.496 gm. What was the proportion of sodium hydroxide in the mixture?

463 Treatment of 1 gm. of a mixture of calcium- and magnesium carbonates with hydrochloric acid yielded 258-5 c.c. of dry carbon dioxide at 15° and 755 mm. pressure. Find the composition of the mixture.

64 0.2424 gm, of hydrated nickel chloride were evaporated to dryness with sulphuric acid, 0.1576 gm, of nickel sulphate being obtained. How many molecules of water of crystal-

lisation did the hydrated chloride contain?

An anthracite coal contains 92.7% of carbon, 3.4% of volatile matter, and 8.9% of ash. What quantity of heat would be evolved on complete combustion of 2 kg. of coal, if the heat of formation of carbon dioxide is 97,300 cals. per gm. mol., and if the volatile matter may be assumed to be methane, the heat of combustion of which is 212,000 cals. per gm. mol.?

- The heats of formation of methane (CH₄), of carbon dioxide and of hydrogen chloride gas are 21,700, 97,300 and 22,000 cals. per gm. molecule respectively. The heat of combustion of methylene chloride, CH₂Cl₂ to carbon dioxide and hydrogen chloride gas is 106,800 cals. per gm. mol. What is the heat of the reaction leading to formation of methylene chloride: CH₄+2Cl₂ = CH₂Cl₂+2HCl?
- The heats of formation of silica, silicon tetrachloride and carbon monoxide are 191,000, 122,000 and 28,600 cals. per gm. molecule respectively. What heat effect attends the formation of silicon tetrachloride by the action of chlorine on silica in the presence of carbon?
- What is the heat of combustion of carbon disulphide in nitrous oxide, given that the heats of formation of carbon dioxide, sulphur dioxide, carbon disulphide and nitrous oxide are 97,300, 69,200, -28,700 and -17,700 cals. per gm. molecule respectively?
- hydrogen and 2% ethylene by vol. The heats of combustion, to steam and carbon dioxide, of hydrogen, methane and ethylene are 58,700, 212,000, and 333,400 cals. per gm. molecules respectively. The gas is burned under a boiler, fed with water at 15°C., in which 5,000 kg. of water are to be evaporated under atmospheric pressure. The latent heat of steam is 540 cals. per gm. What volume of gas (at N.T.P.) must be supplied?
- 470 A Bessemer converter is charged with 9,000 kg. of iron containing 2.9% of carbon. How many cubic metres of air, containing 21% of oxygen, at 22° and 760 mm. pressure, must be supplied for the oxidation of all the carbon if one-third burns to carbon dioxide and the rest to carbon monoxide?
- 471 A certain gas reacts with an equal volume of water vapour in the presence of a catalyst to give carbon dioxide and hydrogen chloride in the proportions by weight of 36.5: 60.6. What is the simplest formula of the gas?
- 472 Find what volume of sulphur dioxide, measured at 13° and 740 mm. pressure, will be oxidised by 50 c.c. of a solution of hydrogen peroxide containing 5 gm. of H₂O₅ per litre.
- 478 Anhydrous ferrous chloride and ammonia react to form a compound. 0.2041 gm. of ferrous chloride absorbed 235.1 c.c. of ammonia at 18.5° and 746 mm. pressure: Find the formula of the compound formed.
- Atmospheric nitrogen is converted to ammonia, and this oxidised catalytically to ammonium nitrate. What volume of air (80% nitrogen) at N.T.P. must be liquefied and fractionated to make 1,000 kg. of ammonium nitrate, if 10% of the nitrogen is lost during the fractionation?

- The fermentation of sugar proceeds according to the equation $C_6H_{12}O_6 = 2C_2H_5OH + 2CO_2$. What volume of carbon dioxide at N.T.P. would be generated during the production of 20,000 litres of absolute alcohol, of specific gravity 0.79?
- 476 6.5 gm. of a mixture of sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide and anhydrous sodium carbonate were dissolved in water and made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. of the solution required for neutralisation 19.5 c.c. of N/2 acid, using phenol phthalein as indicator, and 26.23 c.c., using methyl orange. Determine the percentage composition of the mixture.
- 477 0.320 gm. of hydrated barium peroxide were dissolved in cold water, acidified, and titrated with 0.97 N/10 potassium permanganate solution, of which 21.05 c.c. were decolorised. Find the number of molecules of water of crystallisation in the hydrate.
- 478 The gas evolved when 1 gm. of a mixture of ammonium nitrate and ammonium nitrite was heated occupied (dry) 341 c.c. at 20°C, and 765 mm. Find the percentage of ammonium nitrite in the mixture.
- 479 When 3.128 gm. of a mixture of sodium bromide and potassium bromide was evaporated to dryness with sulphuric acid, 2.221 gm. of the mixed sulphates were obtained. What was the composition of the mixture?
- 480 0.424 gm. of a compound of platinous chloride and ammonia left on ignition a residue of platinum weighing 0.276 gm. 1.81 gm. of the compound were heated with concentrated sulphuric acid, then made alkaline, and the ammonia distilled into 25 c.c. of N/2 sulphuric acid. The excess acid was neutralised by 4.0 c.c. of 1.037 N/10 sodium hydroxide. Find the empirical formula of the compound.
- 481 0.94 gm. of the anhydrous chloride of an element yielded 2.45 gm. of the sulphate, containing 51.4% of water of crystallisation. Determine the atomic weight of the metal, the specific heat of which is 0.263, and the number of molecules of water of crystallisation in the sulphate.
- 9.7 gm. of bleaching powder were ground up with water and the solution made up to 1 litre. 25 c.c. of the solution were added to excess potassium iodide, acidified, and then required 23.0 c.c. of 0.98 N/10 sodium thiosulphate for titration. Find the percentage of available chlorine in the bleaching powder.
- 483 2.105 gm, of hydrated ferric oxide were dissolved in acid and the solution made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. of the solution were reduced by means of stannous chloride, and titrated with N/10 potassium dichromate, requiring 23.7 c.c. Find the percentage of water in the hydrate.

- An electric current was passed for 8 hrs. through a voltameter filled with potassium iodide solution. The liquid around the anode was then removed, and its volume made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. of this solution were decolorised by 28.0 c.c. of 1.06 N/10 sodium thiosulphate. What was the average value of the current?
- What would be the cost, per kilogram, of the electro-deposition of copper, if current is supplied at 110 volts at the price of ½d. per kilowatt-hour?
- 486 2.100 gm. of a mixture of cadmium and zinc chlorides were dissolved in water and the volume made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. of the solution required for titration 23.2 c.c. of 1.063 N/10 silver nitrate solution. What percentage of zinc chloride did the mixture contain?
- 2.5 gm. of a copper ore were brought into solution, and the volume made up to 250 c.c. 25 c.c. were withdrawn, treated with excess potassium iodide, and the liberated iodine titrated with 24.82 c.c. of 1.007 N/10 sodium thiosulphate. What was the copper content of the ore?
- At a certain temperature, 85 c.c. of nitrogen peroxide diffuse through a porous plug in 485 secs. under the same conditions, 100 c.c. of carbon dioxide diffuse through in 433 secs. What is the degree of dissociation of the N₂O₄?
- By the combustion of 0.1550 gm. of a compound of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen, 0.0504 gm. of water, and 0.3285 gm. of carbon dioxide were obtained. 0.741 gm. of the substance dissolved in 24.7 gm. of water, raised the boiling point 0.096, the molecular elevation constant for water being 5.2. Find the molecular formula of the compound.
- 490 Find the molecular weight of iodoform, 0.3195 gm. of which, dissolved in 19.6 gm. of benzene, depress the freezing point 0.212°. The depression constant of benzene = 51.2° per 100 gm. of benzene.
- When the solution in water of 0-323 gm. of hydrated magnesium ammonium chloride was treated with silver nitrate, 0.541 gm. of silver chloride were obtained. 0.515 gm. of the compound yielded 0.241 gm. of magnesium sulphate on evaporation with sulphuric acid and gentle ignition. Find the formula of the double salt.
- The loss in weight produced when 2.433 gm, of mixed sodium and potassium nitrates were heated with pure silica was 1.443 gm. What was the percentage of sodium nitrate?
- The heat of reaction $C+H_2O=CO+H_2$ is -29,500 cals. The heat of formation of carbon monoxide, $C+\frac{1}{2}O_2=CO$ is 29,200 cals. per gm. molecule. If the thermal losses in a semi-water gas producer amount to 15%, in what proportions by volume should air (20% oxygen) and steam be admitted to the plant in order that the exothermic and endothermic reactions may just balance?

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- 494 1.775 gm. of an aluminium alloy dissolved in potassium hydroxide with the liberation of 1,646 c.c. of hydrogen (at N.T.P.). What percentage of aluminium did the alloy contain?
- What volume of air, containing 21% of oxygen, must be supplied to pyrites burners in order to roast 200 kg. of iron pyrites, the products being sulphur dioxide and ferric oxide?
- 496 2.11 gm. of a mineral containing calcium were brought into solution, and made up to a volume of 250 c.c. 50 c.c. were removed, the calcium precipitated with ammonium oxalate, and the washed precipitate dissolved in sulphuric acid. The solution was titrated with 26.8 c.c. of 0.96 N/10 potassium permanganate. Find the percentage of calcium oxide in the mineral.
- Ethylene forms 80% of a gas made by cracking petroleum. How many cubic metres of cracked gas must be used for the manufacture of 10 kg. of alcohol by the catalytic process $C_2H_4+H_2O=C_2H_6O$?
- 498 1.441 gm. of potassium tetrathionate were treated with bromine water, all the sulphur being oxidised to sulphate. Addition of barium chloride yielded 4.450 gm. of barium sulphate. What is the percentage of sulphur in potassium tetrathionate?
- The heats of formation of silver chloride and of anhydrous zinc chloride are 30.41 kg.-cals. and 97.2 kg.-cals. per gm. molecule respectively. The heat of solution of zinc chloride is 15.6 kg.-cals. per gm. mol. What heat effect attends the reduction of silver chloride by metallic zinc, in aqueous suspension?
- 500 The heats of formation of magnesium oxide and of chromic oxide Cr₂O₃ are 143,900 and 267,800 cals. per gm. molecule respectively. How much heat is evolved when 20 kg. of chromium are prepared by reduction of chromic oxide with magnesium powder?
- 501 Strontium metal is obtained by electrolysis of fused strontium chloride. What weight of metal can be obtained in 8 hours by the passage of a current of 5.6 amps.?
- Acetic acid, C₂H₄O₂, is obtained from acetylene, C₂H₂, by a catalytic process. What weight of acetic acid could be made from the acetylene generated from calcium carbide CaC₂ made from 1,000 kg. of limestone (98% CaCO₃)?
- 35 c.c. of hydrogen were added to 35 c.c. of a mixture of nitrogen, nitrous oxide and nitric oxide. The volume after passing the gases through a heated platinum capillary was 38 c.c. 10 c.c. of oxygen were added, and the gases passed again through the capillary. The new volume was 34.5 c.c. What was the composition of the original mixture?

Nitrogen is made by bubbling air through strong ammonia solution and leading the gases over red hot copper. Assuming that the mixture is such as just to oxidise the ammonia taken up, what volume of nitrogen is obtained from 5 litres of air containing 21% of oxygen?

505 The density of chlorine, relative to air, is 2.435. Neglecting the presence of gases other than 0.9% of argon, what value does this give for the relative proportions of nitrogen

and oxygen in the air?

506 On treating 2 grams of a mixture of calcium and barium carbonates with hydrochloric acid, 0.591 gram of carbon dioxide was evolved. Calculate the percentage of barium

carbonate present.

One litre of sodium hydroxide solution was exposed to the atmosphere. 25 c.c. of the resulting solution was titrated with 0.92 N/10 acid, the volumes required being 23.4 c.c. using phenolphthalein and 27.7 c.c. using methyl orange as indicator. What was the concentration of the original hydroxide solution and what volume of carbon dioxide did it absorb?

gave on treatment with hydrochloric acid, 180 c.c. of carbon dioxide at N.T.P. Find the percentage proportions of

the two carbonates.

Radium chloride crystals are isomorphous with those of barium chloride; 0.01462 g. of the crystallised salt, when dissolved in water and treated with silver nitrate solution, yielded 0.01259 g. of silver chloride. Calculate the atomic weight of radium.

What is the minimum weight of bleaching powder containing 32% of available chlorine, which will completely oxidise

one gram of arsenious oxide (96%) to arsenic acid?

100 c.c. of the vapour of a liquid hydrocarbon containing 92.3% of carbon required for combustion 750 c.c. of oxygen. Calculate the volume of air which would be displaced by the vaporisation of 0.173 g. of the hydrocarbon in a Victor Meyer apparatus, assuming the air to be collected over water at 16°C. atmospheric pressure being 756 mm. (Water vapour pressure at 16° = 13.5 mm.)

512 In a recent determination of the atomic weight of tin, the

following ratios of SnCl4; Ag were found:-

SnCl₄ Ag 9·331 14·947 9·398 15·566 10·327 17·105

Calculate the accurate atomic weight of tin.

0.484 g. of sodium sulphite crystals (Na₂SO₃.7H₂O) was added to 50 c.c. of standard iodine solution, the residual iodine requiring 12.80 c.c. of 1.04 N/10 thiosulphate for titration. 25 c.c. of the untreated iodine solution required

- 23.45 c.c. of the same thiosulphate. Calculates the percentage purity of the crystals.
- How much oxygen at 15°C, and 750 mm, would be required for the complete combustion of 50 c.c. of arsenic hydride; and how much .981 N/10 iodine solution would be required to react with the oxide of arsenic formed?
- 515 A gaseous hydrocarbon contains 82.76% of carbon, and 20 c.c. on explosion with excess of oxygen give 80 c.c. of carbon dioxide. What is the formula of the hydrocarbon?
- The sulphate of a metal A contains 22.78% of the metal, and is isomorphous with CuSO₄.7H₂O. A second metal B comes below calcium and strontium in group II of the periodic table and its only equivalent is 68.68. Compare the specific heats of the two metals, assuming Dulong and Petits Law to be accurate in both cases.
- 517 A sait containing sodium, nitrogen and oxygen gave on analysis, Na = 43.40%, N = 26.41%. What could the substance be and what would be the percentage of silver in the silver salt?
- 518 0.67 g. of an iron ore are dissolved in dilute sulphuric acid and titrated with .973 decinormal KMnO₄, 15.28 c.c. being required. The whole of the iron is then reduced to the ferrous condition, and again titrated, when 37.63 c.c. is required. Calculate the percentage of ferrous and ferric iron in the ore.
- 519 1.52 g. of a calcium mineral were dissolved in acid and the calcium precipitated with ammonium oxalate. The washed calcium oxalate precipitate was decomposed with dilute acid, the solution was made up to 250 c.c., and 50 c.c. portions were titrated with 1.08 N/10 potassium permanganate, 15.4 c.c. being required for each portion. Calculate the percentage of calcium in the mineral.
- The element gallium can replace aluminium giving an alum in which 2.55 g. of gallium replace 1 g. of aluminium. Aluminium oxide contains 53.04% of aluminium and the specific heat of aluminium is 0.237. Determine from the above data the atomic weight of gallium.
- 521 10 c.c. of a mixture of ethane (C₂H₆) and carbon monoxide were exploded with an excess of oxygen. Potash absorbed 14 c.c. of the gases remaining after the explosion. Calculate the percentage composition of the mixture.
- What volume of air at 15°C. and 765 mm. pressure, containing 20% of oxygen would be required for the complete combustion of 2 g. of carbon disulphide? If the products of the combustion were dissolved in water, how many c.c. of '980N' iodine solution are required to oxidise the sulphurous acid formed?

- Define (a) exothermic compound, (b) endothermic reaction, (c) intrinsic energy of a compound, (d) heat of neutralisation. Calculate the heat of neutralisation of lithium hydroxide with sulphuric acid from the following data: heat of formation of H₂SO₄ = 210.8 Kg. cal.; that of LiOH = 121.8 Kg. cal., that of H₂O = 68.4 Kg. cal., that of Li₂SO₄ (anhyd.) = 342.4 Kg. cal., heat of solution of Li₂SO₄ = 6.05 Kg. cal.
- What weight of calcium CaH₂ is required to give, when treated with water, sufficient hydrogen to fill a Zeppelin of 500,000 cubic metres capacity under atmospheric conditions of 750 mm. and 15°C.?
- The specific heat of a metal is .031 calories per gm., and 0.3943 g. the anhydrous chloride, dissolved in water, required 30 c.c. of .970 N/10 AgNO₃ to precipitate the chlorine. Calculate the atomic weight of the metal.
- A sample of lead oxide was examined (a) by heating with hydrochloric acid and passing the chlorine liberated into an excess of potassium iodide solution, and titrating the iodine with decinormal sodium thiosulphate; (b) by heating and collecting the water vapour evolved. One gram of the oxide gave (a) chlorine equivalent to 24.8 c.c. thiosulphate, and (b) .01118 g. water. Suggest a formula for the oxide.
- 527 3 c.c. of a mixture of marsh gas and ethylene were exploded with excess of air. Sodium hydroxide absorbed from the residue, 5 c.c. Find the proportions of the mixture.
- 528 0.313 g. of a hydrated higher oxide of barium when dissolved in excess of dilute sulphuric acid, decolorised 20 c.c. of N/10 potassium permanganate. 0.4695 g. of the same oxide left on ignition 0.2295 g. of BaO. Determine the simplest molecular formula of the oxide.
- 529 15 c.c. of a certain hydrocarbon were mixed with 100 c.c. of oxygen in a eudiometer. After exploding KOH absorbed 45 c.c. of gas from the residue, the remaining 25 c.c. being oxygen. What was the formula of the hydrocarbon?
- Semi-water gas is being generated in a self-contained apparatus. All the heat available from the action of the air blast on the carbon is available for generating the steam and for supplying heat absorbed in the formation of water gas from it. Assuming that the following reactions go to completion, calculate the percentage of the semi-water gas by volume:—

 $2C + O_2 = 2CO + 58,000 \text{ cals.}$ $H_2O + C = H_2 + CO - 29,800 \text{ cals.}$

The heat required to vaporise 18 g. of water = 10,800 cals. Air contains 21% of oxygen by volume.

ANSWERS TO PROBLEMS

(Answers are given only to those problems with odd numbers.)

CHAPTER I

PROBLEMS ON THE LAWS OF CHEMICAL COMBINA-TION AND CHEMICAL EQUIVALENTS

1.	Amounts O are as	19.	29.34
	2:3:4:6:7	21.	100.34
3.	Si vis as 6:8:9	23.	29.748
5.	I is as 1:3:4	25.	30.67
7.	1.69 c.c.	27.	107.93
9.	1095 c.c.	29.	30.67
11.	29-41	31.	39.68
13.	15.87	33.	32.68
15.	29-37	35.	127-2
17.	27.92		•

CHAPTER II

PROBLEMS ON THE CALCULATION OF PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

37. K 19%, Sn 29%, Cl 52%
39. Ba 46·2%, S 21·5%, O 32·3%
41. C 83·4%, H 5·5%, O 11·1%
43. Na 44·2%, H 1·9%, N 53·9%
45. N 21·5%, H 6·2%, Al 13·8%, F 58·4%
47. K 22·6%, Cr 10·1%, C 13·9%, N 16·3%, S 37·1%
49. N 2·9%, H 0·8%, S 13·4%, O 26·8%, Cr 10·9%, H₂O 45·2%
51. Co 22·1%, N 31·6%, H 6·7%, Cl 39·8%
53. K 35·2%, Mn 16·6%, N 25·3%, O 4·8% C 18·1%
55. Pt 60·6%, Cl 22·0%, CO 17·4%

PROBLEMS ON THE CALCULATION OF EMPIRICAL FORMULÆ FROM PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

59. 61. 63. 65. 67. 69.	SF ₆ SrCrO ₄ FeCuS ₂ H ₂ SeO ₄ KClO ₄ CaHPO ₄ Na ₂ HPO ₄ .12H ₂ O CrCl ₅ .6NH	75. 77.	CoCl ₃ .3NH ₃ HgC ₄ H ₄ O ₄ BaC ₁₂ H ₁₀ S ₂ O ₆ NaOC ₄ H ₅ Al ₂ O ₃ .2SiO ₂ .2H ₂ O K ₂ O.2UO ₃ .V ₂ O ₅ .8H ₂ O (Na,K) ₂ O.(Fe,A) ₂ O ₃ .
71.	CrCl ₃ .6NH ₃		4SiO ₂

PROBLEMS ON GRAVIMETRIC RELATIONSHIPS

87.	15.67 Kg.	97.	12%		
	38-68%		94.8%		
91.	99-85%		16.33 Kg.		
93.	95.10%		85%		
95.	60%		11-1% Na,	1.1%	K.

CHAPTER III

PROBLEMS INVOLVING GAS VOLUMES AND GAS ANALYSIS

107.	2 litres
109.	2·5 1., 10 1., 15 1., 12·5 1.
111.	(1) 750 c.c., (2) 125 c.c., (3) 300 c.c., (4) 500 c.c
113.	23 c.c.
115.	NH_3
117.	164·0 c.c.
119.	7 c.c. CH ₄ , 5 c.c. C ₂ H ₄
121.	11.4 c.c. CO, 7.7 c.c. CH ₄ , 1.3 c.c. H ₂
123.	4.86% CH ₄ , 20% O ₂ , 75.14% N ₂
125.	$C_{2}H_{4}$
127.	60% CH ₄ , 40% C ₂ H ₂
129.	10.28%
131.	5.49%
133.	7.08% CO2, 48.33% H2, 44.68% CO
135.	7.08% CO ₂ , 48.33% H ₂ , 44.68% CO 12.9% CO ₂ , 13.2% CO, 2.3% CH ₄ , 25.1% H ₂ , 46.5%, N ₂

PROBLEMS ON THE USE OF THE GRAM MOLECULAR VOLUME

139.	26·43 litres 89·15 l.; 18·72 l. 13·07 gm.; 18·30 l.	153.	54.96 Kg. 47.20 l. O ₂ , 2.195 l. N ₂ , 39.50 l. CO ₂
143. 145. 147.	467 cu.m. 27·33 gm. 7·05 l.; 4·7 l. 607·1 Kg.	157	(a) 9·135 I., (b) 5·334 l. 1767 Kg. 23 % Na ₂ CO ₃ , 45% NaCl, 32% KNO ₃

PROBLEMS ON VAPOUR DENSITY AND MOLECULAR WEIGHT

	2.00, 10.08, 19.97; at wts. 4.00, 20.16, 39.94		104.5	
165.	1.2506 gm. per l.; 14.007 mean M.Wt. = 217; P ₄ O ₆	173. 175.	SiH ₄ , Si ₂ H ₆	, Si ₃ H ₈

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PROBLEMS ON THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATION
                               183. SO, density = 40; 39.6;
177. 107.7
                                      33.3; SO, density = 32
179. 100%
            29:1%, 68.6%,
                               185. 17.75%, 18.32
181. 1.1%,
      95.8%
       PROBLEMS ON THE DIFFUSION OF GASES
                                    C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N
                               199.
187. 16·1
                               201. 31; CH3NH2
189. 1.608:1
191. 9.92 min.; 7.65 min.
                               203. 192, S<sub>6</sub>; 64, S<sub>2</sub>
                               205. 42% SO<sub>3</sub>
195. 1.877:1
197. 235
                      CHAPTER IV
   PROBLEMS ON ATOMIC WEIGHT DETERMINATION
                               227. 87.68
207. 196-5
                               229. 48·09
209. 59.0
                               231. 79.33
211. 6.956
213. 207.9
                               233. 101.7
                               235. 206.9
215. 55.836
                               237. 127-53
217. 194.83
                               239. 183 88
219. 65.99
221. 74·92
223. 52·005
                               241. 48.08
                               243. 75.00
                               245. 72.5
225. 132·80
                      CHAPTER V
             PROBLEMS ON ELECTROLYSIS
                                253. 0.0994 amps.
247. 0.991 gm, I<sub>2</sub>, 1.285 gm.
                                255. 0.0003294
      Zn
     0-482 gm.
249.
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         PROBLEMS ON THE CONDUCTIVITY OF
                      ELECTROLYTES
259. 102-9
                                265. -298, -394, -495, -602, -710,
261. 4·60
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263. 113·5
          PROBLEMS ON OSMOTIC PRESSURE
 267. 1.31 atmos.
                                273. 84%
 269. 62
                                275. 150
     240; 2%
 271.
 PROBLEMS ON MOLECULAR WEIGHTS FROM FREEZING
                  POINT DEPRESSION
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PROBLEMS ON MOLECULAR WEIGHT FROM THE ELEVATION OF THE BOILING POINT

285. 182 287. N₄S₄ 289. 5.17

CHAPTER VI

VOLUMETRIC ANALYSIS

291.	1.981 N, 2.547 N	339.	87-26%
	148-05, 105-75, 201-34		21-1 vols.
	·952 N/10; 3·81 gm./l.	343.	29.5%
	·9625 N/10		7.6 vols.
	73-4%	347.	
	15·83 c.c.		ferric
	18·05 c.c.	349.	∙0728 N
	25.85 c.c., 12.9 c.c.		39·8 c.c.
	934·6 c.c.	353.	
	8.68%		52.3%
	9·255 gm./l.		67.94%
212	23.9 pts. CaCO ₃ , 24.8 pts.		76.49%
gid.	CaSO ₄		29.23%
215	17.22 c.c., 27.89 c.c.		26-40%
217	33.95 c.c., 45.9 c.c.		27.14%
210	4.21 gm. K ₂ SO ₄ , 5.79 gm.		4.01 gm./l.
515.	KHSO.	369.	466 666
201	137-3	371.	
	120.6	373.	
	9.03	375.	
	(a) 0.0307 gm., (b) 2.47	377.	
327.	gm./l.	379.	91.41%
200	-527 N/10	381.	
025.	7% ferrous, 28% ferric	383.	
991.	.925 N/10, .00518 gm./c.c.	385.	
JJJ.	07.900/	387.	
660.	97.80%	389.	/ ~
337.	75.69%		, ,

CHAPTER VII

PROBLEMS ON THERMOCHEMISTRY

	1 50 75	411.	36,400 cals.	
391.	4.72 Kg.			
393.	-69,200 cals.	413 .	69,400 cals.	
_		415.	5,400 cals.	
395.	97,580 cals.		105,420 cals.	
397.	23,900 cals.	417.		
	0.070 2 440 cals	419.	9,290 cals.	
399.	2,270 cals., 2,440 cals.	421.	409,610 cals.	
401.	12-18 Kg.		200,010 calo.	
_		423.	231,200 cals.	
4 03.	192,500 cals.	425.	-1,500 cals.	
405.	6,980 cals., 15,950 cals.,		10.005	
400.	20,380 cals., 24,080 cals.	427.	13,085 cals.	
	20,000 calls	429.	11,865 cals.	
407.	-6,000 cals.	2201	22,000	
409	22,020 cals.			

MISCELLANEOUS PROBLEMS

		400	100/
4 31.	20 c.c. N ₂ O, 11 c.c. O ₂		10%
433.	CH ₅ N		23·2 d
435.	SF.	487.	63.46%
	44.3	491.	MgCl ₂ .NH ₄ Cl.6H ₂ O
439.		493.	1 vol. steam: 2.9 vols. air
			489 cu. metres
	10 c.c. NO, 15 c.c. N ₂		
	80·17 c.c.; 45·5 c.c.		6,089 cu. metres
44 5.	CoCl ₃ ·4NH ₃	4 99.	
447.	43.8% ZnO		Ag
	9.34%	501 .	73·22 gm.
451.	7%		12 c c. NO, 14 c.c. N ₂ O ₁
453.	96.89%	_	9 c.c. N ₂
	F ₂ O	505.	20.5% O2
457.	·952 N/10	507.	4.08 g./litre; 354.6 c.c.
459.	30.2% Cd; 69.5% Hg	509.	225.6.
461	2.51%		53-86 c.c.
	53.5% CaCO ₃ ; 46.5%		92.32%.
200.		515	C H
405	MgCO,		
	15,930,000 cals.	517.	Sodium hyponitrite,
	-11,600 cals.		Na ₂ N ₂ O ₂ ; 78·26%.
4 69.		519.	10.76%.
471.	COCl	521.	4 c.c. C ₂ H ₆ .
473.	FeCl. 6NH ₃	523.	15.8 Kg. cal.
475.	7,696 cu. metres		200.0.
477.	8		1 c.c. CH.
	_		CH
401	51-4% NaBr	629 .	C ₃ H ₈ .
481.	24.8; 7		

TABLE I TENSION OF WATER VAPOUR.

	I DIVIDION OF	WAIDN TALOUR.	
Temperature C.	Pressure	Temperature C.	Pressure
	mm,	°C.	nım.
0	4.6	16	13.5
1	4.9	17	14-4
2	5-3	16	15.3
8	5.7	19	16-3
4	6.1	20	17-4
5	6.5	21	18.5
6	7-0	22	19-6
7	7-5	23	20.9
8	8.0	24	22-1
9	8.5	25	23.5
10	9-1	26	25-0
11	9.8	27	26.5
12	10-4	28	28.1
13	11-1	29	29-7
14	11.9	30	31.5
15	12.7		42.0

- TABLE II

ATOMIC WEIGHTS

		ATOMIC	_		ATONIC
ELEMENT	SYMBOL	WEIGHT	ELEMENT	SYMBOL	WEIGHT
Aluminium	A1	26.97	Neodymium	Nd	144.27
Antimony	Sb	121.76	Neon	Ne	20.183
Argon	A	39·9 44	Nickel	Ni	68-69
Arsenic	As	74-93	Niobium	Nb	
Barium	Ba	137.36	(Columbium)	(Cb)	
Beryllium	Be	9.02	Nitrogen	20	14-008
Bismuth	Bi	209-00	Osmium	Os	191.5
Boron	В	10.82	Oxygen	0	16-0000
Bromine	Br	79 916	Palladium	Pd	106-7
Cadmium	Cd	112-41	Phosphorus	P	31.02
Cæsium	Cs	132.91	Platinum	Pt	195.23
Calcium	Ca	40.08	Potassium	K	39-10
Carbon	C	12.00	Praseodymium	Pr	140.93
Cerium	Če	140-13	Radium	Ra	225.97
Chlorine	Ci	35.457	Radon	Rn	222
_	Cr	52.01	Rhenium	Re	186-31
Chromium	Co	58-94	Rhodium	Rh	103-91
Cobalt	Cu	63-57	Rubidium	Rb	85-44
Copper	Dy	162-46	Ruthenium	Ru	101.7
Dysprosium	Er	167-64	Samarium	Sm	150-43
Erbium	Eu	152.0	Scandium	Sc	45.10
Europium	F	19.00	Selenium	Se	78-96
Fluorine	Ĝđ	157-3	Silicon	Si	28.06
Gadolinium	Ga	69.72	Silver	Ag	107-880
Gallium	Ge	72-60	Sodium	Na	22.997
Germanium	Au	197.2	Strontium	Sr	87-63
Gold	Hf	178-6	Sulphur	S	32.06
Hafnium	He	4-002	Tantalum	Ta	181.4
Helium	Ho	163.5	Tellurium	Te	127-61
Holmium	H	1.0078	Terbium	ТЬ	159-2
Hydrogen		114-78	Thallium-	TI	204-39
Indium	In I	126.92	Thorium	Th	232-12
Iodine		193.1	Thulium	Tm	169.4
Iridium	Ir Fe	55-84	Tin	Sn	118.70
Iron		83.7	Titanium	Ti	47.90
Krypton	Kr	138-92	Tungsten	W	184.0
Lanthanum	La	207.22	Uranium	U	238-14
Lead	Pb	6.940	Vanadium	V	50.95
Lithium	Li	175.0	Xenon	Xe	131.3
Lutecium	Lu	24.32	Ytterbium	Yb	173.04
Magnesium	Mg	54.93	Yttrium	Y	88-92
Manganese	Mn	200.61	Zinc	Zn	65.38
Mercury	Hg	96.0	Zirconium	Zr	91.22
Molybdenum	Mo	30 0	, gas v		

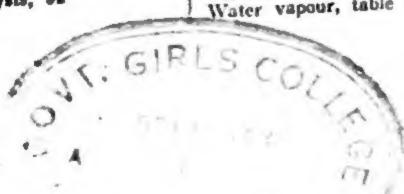
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